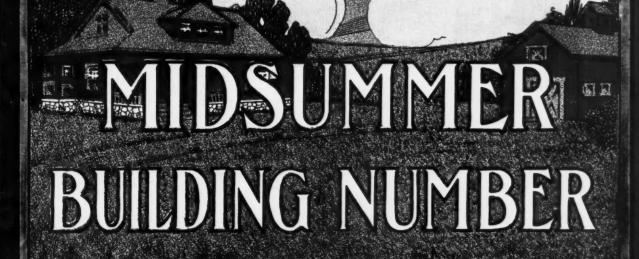
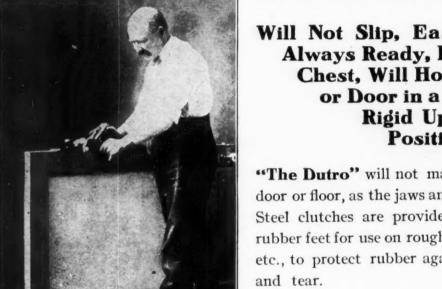
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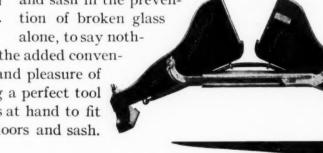
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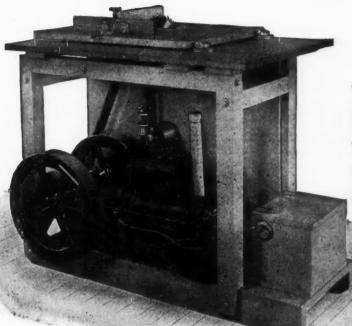
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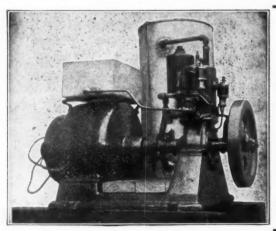
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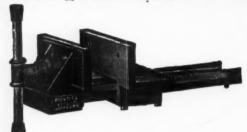
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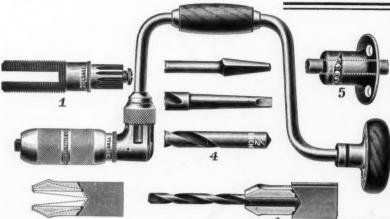


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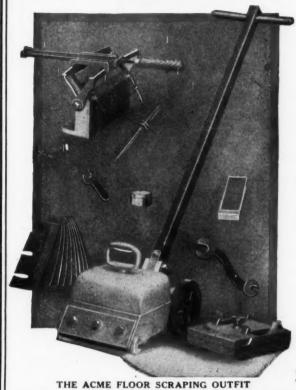
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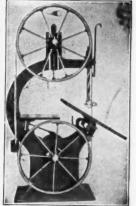
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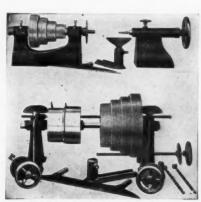
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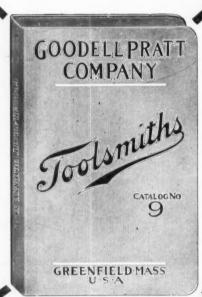


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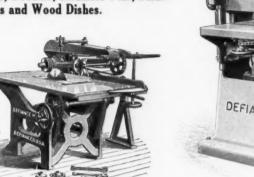
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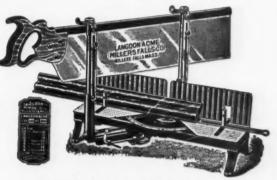
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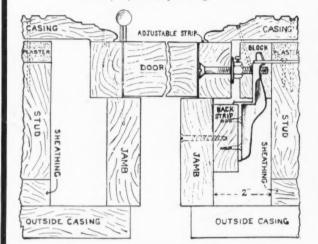
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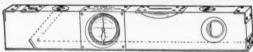


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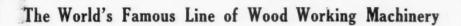
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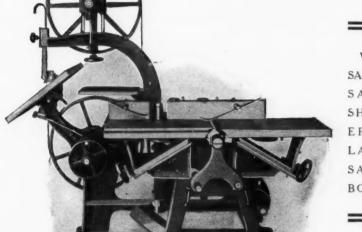
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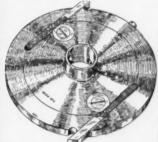


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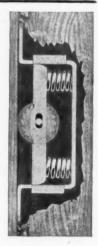
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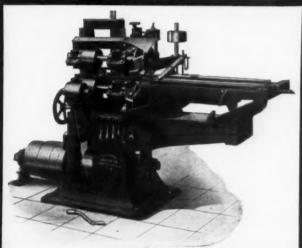
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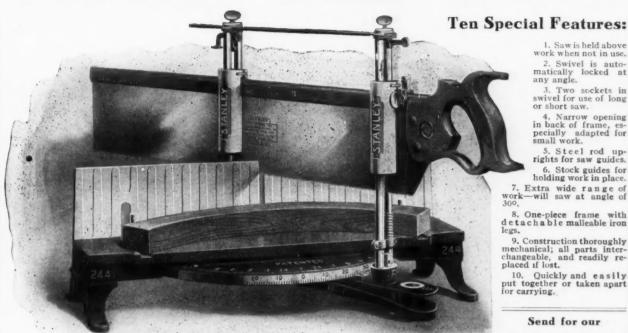
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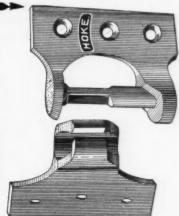
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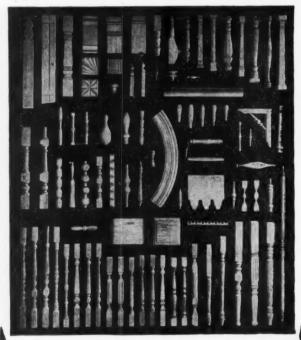
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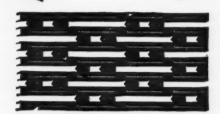
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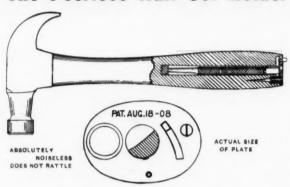
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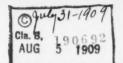
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XX E TAKE pleasure in announcing that the October number of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER will be our "Home Builders' Number." We want to invite every one of our readers to join with us in making it the biggest and best and most interesting of all the numbers yet published.

The editor has had prepared a great many special features for this number of more than usual interest -practical, illustrated articles which will be of real value to all carpenters and home builders.

The main interest, however, will center around those pages devoted to "Typical American Homes." This has always proved a very popular feature. It will consist of photographs with floor plans and statement of actual cost of the best work done by readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER during the past year.

We invite you all to send in such pictures so that all parts of the country may be represented. We want this "Home Builders' Number" to be typical of the splendid work being done by our readers. Mark on the back of each picture where the building was put up and to whom credit should be given for its construction and design; also please state the actual cost complete. In order to make each exhibit as useful and complete as possible a sketch showing the floor plans should be included wherever possible.

Address all photographs and drawings to the Editor of the American Carpenter and Builder. They will be returned to you, is so desired, promptly and in good condition. Send them in as soon as is convenient so that we may have plenty of time to make up this feature of our big October number in a way that will do credit to the members of the Big Family.

Lumber Cut for 1908

URING the year 1908, 31,231 sawmills in the United States manufactured 33,289,369,000 feet of lumber, according to a preliminary report just issued by the Bureau of the Census. These mills also cut 12,106,483,000 shingles and 2,986,684,000 lath. Lumber manufacturing, like every other industry, felt the effects of the business depression which began in October, 1907. Consequently the production in 1908 was below that for the previous year. In 1907 the cut of 23,850 sawmills was 40,256,154,000 feet, the highest production ever recorded. Notwithstanding, therefore, that in 1908 reports were received from 8 per cent more mills than in 1907, the decrease in lumber cut reported by them was slightly over 17 per cent.

Washington, as for several years past, still ranks first among the states in lumber production, its cut in 1908 being 2,915,928,000 feet—a decrease of 22.8 per cent over the cut in 1907. Nearly all the lumber in Washington is Douglas fir, the market for which was seriously affected by the panic. Louisiana ranks second, with 2,722,421,000 feet, a decrease of 250,000,000 feet or 8.4 per cent over the cut in 1907. Louisiana is first in the production of both yellow pine and cypress. Cypress is a particularly useful and valuable wood, and apparently the manufacturers of it did not suffer as severely from dull times as did the manufacturers of yellow pine and Douglas fir. Mississippi was the third state in lumber production in 1908, with a total of 1,861,016,000 feet-a decrease of 11 per cent from the cut in 1907. Arkansas ranked fourth, with 1,656,991,000 feet-a decrease of nearly 17 per cent over the previous year's output, and Wisconsin fifth, with 1,613,315,000 feet, against 2,003,270,000 feet in 1907. In Texas, where the lumber industry is confined almost exclusively to yellow pine, the falling off was very heavy. The total cut of the state in 1908 was 1,524,008,000 feet—a decrease of 31.6 per cent over the cut in 1907. Eight other states manufactured more than one billion feet each of lumber last year. In the order of importance they were: Michigan, Oregon, Minnesota, Pennsylvania, Virginia, Alabama, North Carolina and West Virginia. California and Maine, other states which reported more than one billion feet each in 1907, went just below the figure in 1908. The totals for a few states were greater in 1908 than in 1907, but this was chiefly due to the larger number of reports secured in those states in 1908. In Georgia, for instance, a particularly close canvass increased the number of mills reporting nearly one-third, while the resulting increase in reports of total production was only 6 per cent. In Massachusetts, 610 mills reported a cut of 384,526,000 feet in 1908, as compared with a cut of 264,231,000 feet by 518 mills in 1907. In Colorado 254 mills cut 182,036,-000 feet in 1908, while in 1907, 230 mills cut 134,239,-000 feet. A particularly large gain in mills reporting was made in Oklahoma. In 1907, 129 mills in that state cut 140,015,000 feet, while in 1908, 214 mills cut 158,756,000 feet.

While there are many very large sawmills in the United States, the small mills far outnumber the large ones, and it is particularly interesting to note how many of these small mills there are in the states which

are not now of first rank in lumber production. The statistics for New York were collected by the Forest, Fish and Game Commission from that state, which secured reports from 2,291 mills. In Pennsylvania 2,224 mills reported to the Census, and in Virginia, 1,937 mills. In North Carolina reports came from 1,740 mills, and in Kentucky from 1,530 mills. The number of mills reporting from Tennessee was only forty less than from Kentucky. In West Virginia, Georgia, Missouri, Ohio, and Indiana between 1,000 and 1,100 mills each were engaged in cutting lumber last year. The average output per mill was 350,000 feet in New York, and 5,260,000 feet in Louisiana, these two states presenting nearly the extremes of production by small and large mills.

Yellow pine, Douglas fir, white pine, oak, hemlock and spruce, in the order named, were the woods cut into lumber in the largest quantity. Yellow pine has ranked first since it surpassed white pine in the later nineties, and it is still far in the lead. More recently, white pine has also been superseded by Douglas fir, so that now it occupies third place.

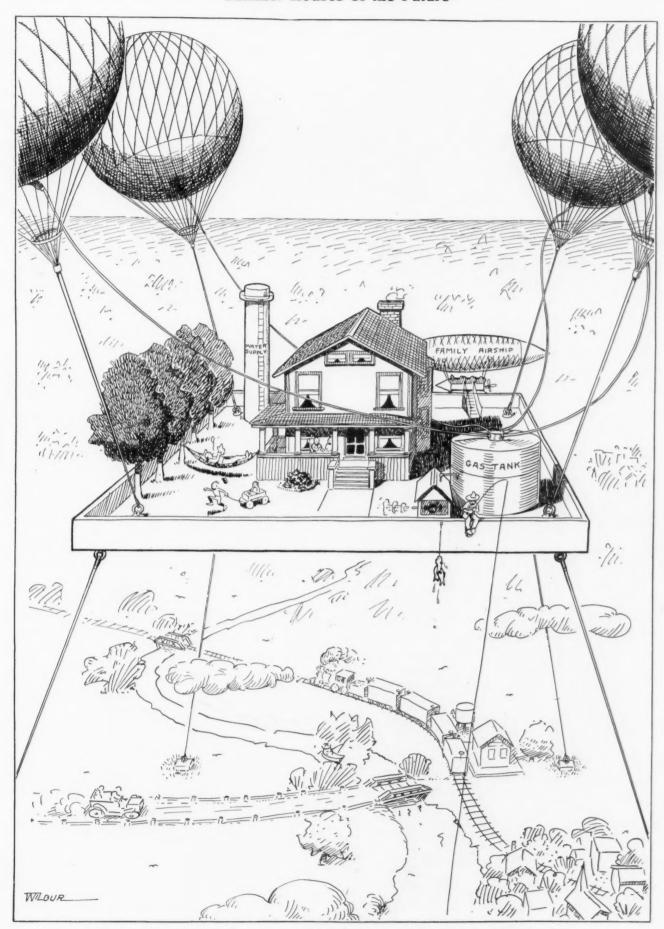
Washington has been the principal shingle producing state since the use of red cedar shingles became general, and it supplied three-fifths of the total output of shingles last year. Among the other shingle-producing states, Michigan, Louisiana, Maine and California were the most important. The shingles cut in Michigan and Maine are chiefly of white cedar, those in Louisiana of cypress, and those in California of redwood. Lath are generally a by-product of lumber manufacture, and are made to some extent from almost every kind of wood that is cut into lumber. Among the kinds of lath which are most prominent are white pine, Douglas fir, spruce, yellow pine, cypress and hemlock.

Date of the Chicago Cement Show Changed

THE dates for the third annual cement show in the Coliseum, Chicago, previously announced as February 17-23, 1910, have been changed to February 18-26, 1910. The show will open on the evening of February 18 and be open continuously until the evening of Saturday, February 26, being closed, however, on Sunday, the 20th. Under the new dates the show will be open two days longer than the show held last February.

We announce with pleasure that the National Association of Cement Users have decided to hold their sixth annual convention in Chicago on February 21-24, 1910, these dates being covered by the third annual cement show. The decision of the N. A. C. U. to hold their convention in Chicago during the cement show will mean that the gathering in Chicago February next will undoubtedly be the largest gathering of cement interests ever held in the world.

Summer Houses of the Future



Suggested for the Wright Brothers or for the Man Who Would Get far From the Maddening Crowd



R LORENCE does not exist apart from her world of art. Here architecture, sculpture and painting with all their literary and historical significance confront you at every street corner, along the river, on the open piazzas and from every hotel window. You may turn from it all in weariness, but there is no escape.

The best remedy for the weariness of having seen too much, and having still too much to see, is the resolution that Florence shall be an abiding place,

Stairway in the Bargello Palace

that at last the time has come when it is well to cease being a wanderer on the face of the earth, and to become instead a citizen of the loveliest of all cities.

It is no weakness to yield to the spell of Florence. The greatest have been conquered by her and have allowed a few weeks of spring they had allotted as time enough to spend within her walls, to glide into months and years.

The Brownings, the Hawthornes and scores of other wanderers in the realm of art and literature lingered here, living again the lives of the great Italians, Dante, Boccaccio, Petrarch, Savonarola, and making new paths for other literary pilgrims who were to follow. The history of Florence for six centuries or more has been written by these, her lovers, in many books. Her artists have recorded her aspirations and their fulfilment on many frescoed walls and splendid canvases. But it is her architects, her workers in stone, who have best expressed the spirit and genius of mediaeval Florence.

That she was fierce and relentless in warfare, her grim and massive palaces testify. That she was the mother of all art and grace and beauty is written in most delicate lines on the slender Campanile and on the fragile lace work of the Duomo.

The great Palazzo Vecchio tells a long chapter of history in itself, when you answer the questions it raises. Why is it placed at one side of the grand plaza? Why should the battlements that surround the main building be square, and V shaped battlements surmount the upper tower?

The position of the Palazzo Vecchio records the bitter hatred of Guelph and Ghibelline. Its architect, Arnolfo, begged that it might be placed in the center of the grand plaza, but the vindictive Guelph swore that its foundations should not touch one foot of land that the hated Ghibellines had ever possessed, better by far that the building should be placed at

any angle in any corner of the city. So the Palazzo Vecchio stands today as warped by hatred as was its builder.

When the palace was completed the square machicolations, the sign of the pope's party, adorned it. Then, the Emperor's party, the Ghibellines, took possession of this stronghold, the home of the magistrates of the republic, and crowned it with a tower, and their swallow-tailed machicolations. A wonderful airy tower the conquerors built, rising as it does nearly 300 feet above the square palace, visible from all points of the city, and always a thing of grace and symmetry.

There is a stone in the pavement in front of this stern palace upon which is laid on the twenty-third of each May a garland. On it women kneel to pray, and all about the pavement children scatter rose petals.

It was here that Savonarola bore witness by his heroic death to the sustaining power of the gospel he preached. History records that the last glimpse his followers had of him was with hands extended in the midst of the flames, blessing the people who reviled him.

The stone floor of Savonarola's cell-like room in the convent of St. Mark's is worn smooth by the feet of many pilgrims. The carpentry of door and desk and chair seems the mission furniture of yester-



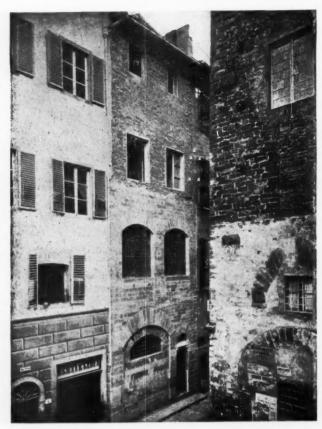
Savonarola's Room in the Convent of St.Mark's Furniture 400 Years Old

day and not of four centuries ago. All the work of these old builders, from a chair to a palace, is worthy of reverence, because of the conscience and sincerity that they put into their work, giving it worth not for years but for centuries.

The governor's palace played a part in the city's early history. The Bargello was a splendid palace of state, square and forbidding as the Palazza Vecchio without, but containing one of the most beautiful of court yards within. The inner stairway is a triumph



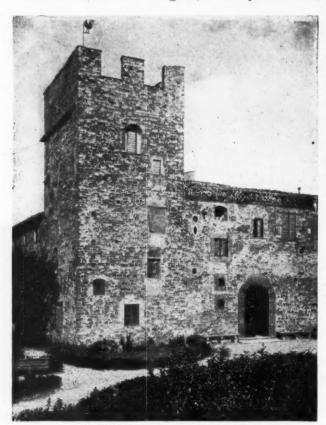
The Famous Palazzo Vecchio of Florence, Designed by Arnolfo



Dante's House, 600 Years Old, but Still the Ordinary Italian City House

of architectural art. Artists linger here through the shadows of the late afternoon transferring to canvas the browns and yellows of old armorial bearings and discolored marble.

Within the dark old Bargello, Giotto painted fres-



Galileo's Tower-An Old Piece of Heavy Stone Masonry

coes, and once when in his happiest mood he painted with sincerity and affection his friend Dante, with two shadowy figures behind him. The whitewash which covered the frescoes has preserved for Florence during six centuries, the head of the thoughtful Dante—her greatest poet and her greatest citizen.

There is a stern, bare house in one of the narrow streets of Florence, not more attractive than the ordinary dull house that the dweller in an Italian city calls home. It is interesting not only because it is a typical Florentine house in its cheerlessness, but because a marble tablet above the door records, "Here lived Dante." During his lifetime these very stones were denied him as a place of refuge. Banished from the city which was to him the very wine of life, he spent his declining years eating out his lonely heart



Facade of the Duomo-Bell Tower by Giotto on the Right

in the bitterness of exile. The world has never learned to pay its debt of gratitude in time; and Dante and Savonarola hungered in vain for the reverence and affection their city today bestows so lavishly upon the very stones whereon they trod.

On the hillside of Arceti, a half mile from the heart of Florence, is the tower of Galileo. Here, an exile from Rome, the ban of the church upon him, he continued his work with his telescope under the clear skies of Florence.

The Florentines were not always men of this stern type. On the road to Fiesole, the hill that is the background of Florence, there is an Italian villa, as charm-



The Villa Palmieri where Boccaccio Lived and where Queen Victoria Spent her Florentine Winter

and his party of gallant gentlemen and fair ladies fled from the plague in Florence to disport themselves and pass the time in story telling until the poor wretches below should be through with their dying.

The stories of these first of story tellers were gathered into the Decameron of Boccaccio, from which Shakespeare borrowed largely the material of his plays. "In this very villa," said the guide, "did Queen Victoria stay in 1888. And not far away," he added impartially that we Americans might not be belittled, "did Mark Twain pass one winter."

The villa is of black and white marble, very fanci-One who is interested in the ful and elaborate.

ing today as it was 500 years ago, when Boccaccio architecture of these old Italian villas and in land. scape gardening will find the drive to this Villa Palmieri well worth the days of pilgrimage.

The two great churches in Florence that represent the Italian Gothic in architecture are Santa Maria Novella, and the Westminster Abbey of Flor-



The Duomo, Famous Cathedral of Florence entines, Santa Croce. These have not succeeded in making so exquisite a piece of black and white embroidery of their splendid marbles, nor have they the crowning glory of the Duomo, the dome.

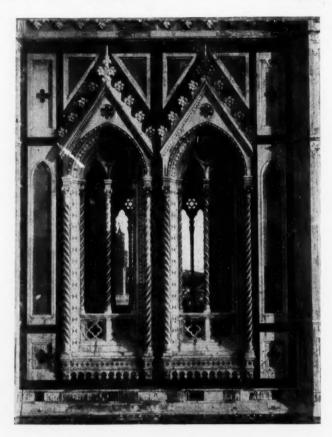
The dome was the impossible in architecture. "It cannot be done," said the world to Brunelleschi. "A massive hemisphere cannot rest on nothingness. There must be supporting columns."



Santa Croce-Example of the Italian Gothic



The Graceful Campanile, Designed by Giotto



Window Detail, the Campanile



Interior of the Tomb of the De Medici, the Ruling Family of Florence

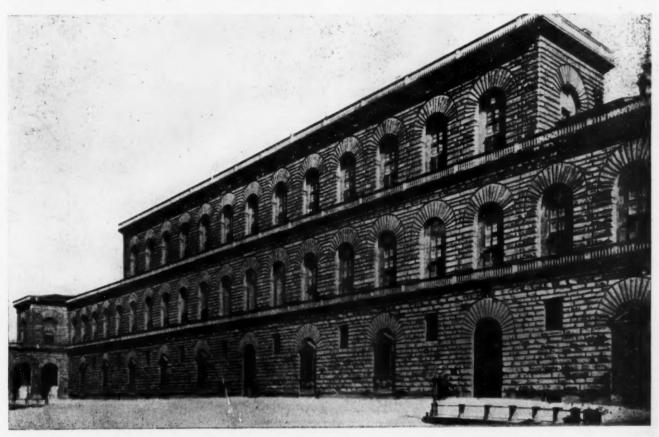
Plans were suggested for a possible means of support during the process of building. "The sensible thing to do," they said, "is to make a great mound of earth from floor to ceiling in which coins are hidden. The dome shall be built over the mound. When it is rounded out and completed, the beggars will be willing to dig away the earth and carry it off for the sake of the buried coppers." Brunelleschi listened to their ingenious contriving and went ahead with his own plans, constructing like the great architect that he was, and not the petty trickster the lesser buildes would have him be. One dome within another gives the vaulting its proper support.

There was no limit to the presumption and arrogance of the old Italians. The Pitti Palace was the deliberate attempt to be supreme. When Lucca Pitti

inlaid floors—a fit treasure house for the most priceless treasures in the world—the masterpieces of Florentine art, which now fill it.

Then there are days when the traveler ceases to study or learn. On these days he walks along the Vecchio. Little dove cotes of houses cling to its sides. Why shop and shop keeper do not tumble off into the river over which they are suspended is a mystery; but the little houses have hugged the stone wall tightly and securely for so many centuries that they have lost the sense of fear. In former years the butcher shops lined the bridge. Now the jewelers and silversmiths display alluring bargains, giving one an opportunity to satisfy the yearning to spend his money for souvenirs and gifts.

The walk along the river at sunset blends poverty

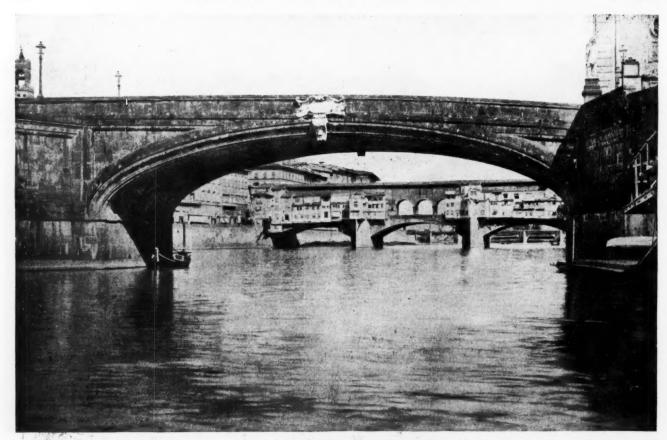


The Great Pitti Palace, Florence

gave orders to the great Brunelleschi for the building of his palace the order read it was so far to surpass all that the Medici had done that "the doors for the Pallazo Medici should serve only as models for its windows." The palace was planned on a colossal scale; the windows measure 24 feet, and each of the stories is 40 feet high. "The walls shall be impregnable," said Lucca Pitti.

But it is easier to order the impregnable to be built, than to build it, and Luca Pitti lived to see his fortress palace pass into the hands of the Medici. It was a possession worth fighting for; grim and forbidding as it is without, it is all color and light within with its many colored marbles, soft frescoes, and and picturesqueness into a water color of rare loveliness. The softly tinted cream, pink and green adobe houses are reflected in the gray blue water. The sluggish tide of humanity moves a little faster across the bridges, the little boats come to anchor under the arcades of the houses. Then a silvery mist softens the outline of the grim old palaces, and Florence dissolves into a dream in which art and history and all learning have no place.

All that one can say about Florence seems ineffectual. Mrs. Browning, who felt most deeply its beauty, wrote after many happy years at Casa Guidi: "What Florence is, the tongue of man or poet may easily fail to describe; the most beautiful of cities, with the



Modern Bridge Over the Arno at Florence

golden Arno shot through her heart like an arrow, exquisitely beautiful in the garden grove of vineyards and olive trees." Here come every spring 30,000 English speaking tourists. Other cities they are able to change into something modern and cosmopolitan,

but the spell of mediaeval Florence is the stronger influence. The current of humanity that fills her streets sweeps by like "the golden Arno," reflecting unconsciously her exquisite beauty, not transforming, but transformed.



The Historic Ponte Vecchio, the Bridge of the Silversmiths?

House-Boats and How to Build Them

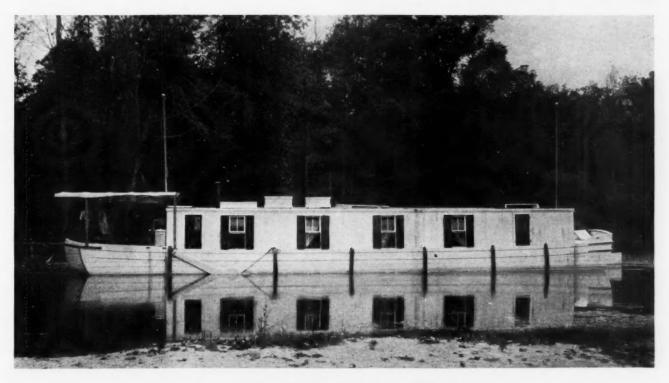
HOW A WIDE-AWAKE CARPENTER EARNED A SNUG OFF-SEASON INCOME AT HOUSE-BOAT BUILIDING —CONSTRUCTION AND USE OF HOUSE-BOATS

By George E. Walsh

ARINE architecture is a distinct branch and trade by itself, and the ordinary carpenter is not as a rule supposed to understand the technical points involved; but in recent years there has come into existence a popular feature of this work which really falls in the province of the general carpenter more than in that of the marine builder. Houseboats have been in more use in England than in this country, but in the last ten years thousands of these floating homes for summer use have appeared on our lakes, rivers and bays along the coast. Their popularity has increased now that the gasoline engine has been developed so that for a small additional outlay the houseboat can be moved from point to point under its own power. They are not power crafts by any

he had to take as part payment for a debt an old second-hand flat scow. This seemed like a white elephant on his hands, but as he had it he decided to make use of it. He patched it up so that there was no danger of leaks, and then with some second-hand lumber stored away on his place he built a 3-room house on the boat.

His intention was to live on the houseboat in the summer and rent his own home to summer visitors. But before he could find a tenant for his home, he had several applications for his houseboat, and he closed a bargain for its renting at considerable more than he could get for his house. The summer's rent paid for the lumber and carpentry work, and left him something over. This unexpected transaction started him



A Cool and Comfortable Summer Home

means, but with a 2 or 3 horsepower gasoline engine installed in a houseboat it can move from one anchorage place to another on pleasant days at the rate of two or three miles an hour.

The houseboat in many cases is an old canal-boat or a second-hand flat scow with a living house built on the top of it. In the construction of this house the carpenter's service might well be employed. The idea of this article was suggested by the record of a carpenter who three years ago took to houseboat building in a dull season and established a very important trade as a side issue to his regular profession. He lived close to an inland lake—Lake Hopatcong, New Jersey—where summer visitors were numerous. One day

in his new work. He purchased for a nominal sum two other flat scows the following winter, and built houses on them and furnished them in a simple but comfortable style. The next summer he rented two of the houseboats, and sold the other outright for a very profitable sum.

Then he solicited orders for houseboats. They were popular, and he got two orders that summer for houseboats of considerable size. One of these was 30 feet long, and was made from an old canal-boat. It was fitted up inside with all the comforts of home, and proved a standing advertisement of his workmanship. The boat had an upper and lower deck, and the owners secured another order for the carpenter.

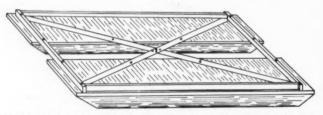
But the expansion of his business threatened to absorb all of the flat scows that could be had, and the carpenter was not yet qualified to go into marine architecture. However, he considered the matter carefully and noted the demands of the market. Very few cared for a large houseboat, but a great many wanted small ones that could rent for about \$100 to



Thirty-foot Home-made House Boat, With Three Living Rooms and Upper Deck

\$200 a season. These people wanted to live on the water, and they were not particular about the size of the rooms or the furnishings. After looking carefully into the matter, the man decided that he could find a way to secure the hulls at less expense and without much difficulty.

Flat bottom row boats 18 to 20 feet in length were common. So he purchased two of these at a nominal sum, and drawing them out of the water he patched them up, and reinforced them inside with braces and plankings. Then he bolted them together with small beams on the deck, running one across the stern and another over the bows. Two others were run crosswise from corners to corners. These beams made the boats form a two-piece hull, as shown in the drawing, and they also served as the foundation for the floors. The floor timbers were of second-hand, unmatched lumber, but over the top of them cheap canvas was stretched, oiled and painted so that the floor was waterproof. Then he built a house on top of this floor with a door in front and windows on either side. This

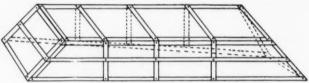


Method of Attaching Flat-Bottom Row Boats Together to Receive Deck Planks for House-Boat Superstructure

gave him room inside for one living and sleeping room and one kitchen and dining-room combined. This boat cost him as follows: \$6 for the two flat-bottom boats, \$15 for the second-hand lumber, nails and paint, and \$25 for the simple furnishings, some of which he purchased second hand, making a total of \$46, not counting his own labor. He rented the boat for \$75 for the first season, which paid for all expenses, and left him a balance, and the boat for another season.

He built five of these boats, and then decided that there was enough money in the business to warrant attempting something more ambitious. He ordered lumber for news hulls, which he decided to construct himself. A carpenter who cannot build an ordinary flat-bottom boat is not much good at his trade. The frame was very simple, and the planking of plain lumber, with seams calked and painted. This man built his boats larger than the ordinary boat, making them 25 feet and one 30 feet long. They were only 4 and 5 feet beam, and when bolted together, with a space of a foot between each one, the total width was from 9 to 12 feet.

His latest improvement was to build a water-tight deck over these boats so that they were really pontoons. This made them more buoyant and less likely to sink. The house was built on the top of the decks in the ordinary way. These boats rented as high as \$100 to \$200 a season. Today the man has eight houseboats which he rents out, and there is hardly a season that he does not sell from two to four. This gives him an opportunity to build that number of new ones each winter when trade is dull, and as he is sure to rent them he never loses anything on his investment.



Framework of the Hull Upside Down

Now this man's experience may be exceptional, but it indicates the possibilities the wideawake carpenter has in his field in working up trade as a side issue. At no time did he let the work interfere with his regular trade. He built his houseboats at odd times and when business was very slack. One winter he was out of employment, except for odd jobs, during the greater part of three months, but instead of being idle that time he practically built three houseboats and had them ready for launching the following spring. He received in rent from two of them \$300, and sold the third at a clear profit of \$200. So those three months out of work were after all pretty profitable.

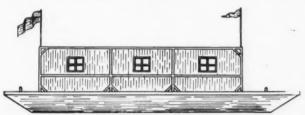
Houseboat building naturally would not be of much value to anyone located inland away from any body of water, although these crafts are in use on our canals and it is quite common to see them towed up and down the artificial waterways to some natural body of water for the summer season. There is another builder of houseboats located fifty miles away from any lake, river or sea coast, and he has made a great success at his work. The idea of turning shipbuilder in such a locality might excite the surprise of anyone. But there was the Erie canal. It flowed within a mile of his home. So he constructed a small workshop on the line of the canal and started to building houseboats. These houseboats were launched by him in a small basin that entered the canal, and he towed the crafts

up to the St. Lawrence or down to some of the lakes or to the Hudson river. In fact, although situated far from any large body of water, this man was ideally located for delivering houseboats to any part of the country needing them. He could tap the great lakes or the Atlantic ocean and deliver his goods when ordered.

The problem is often how to get a start. The experience of the carpenter first described is the best illustration of how to do this. Build a houseboat for your own use or for renting, and if good returns are obtained build another. Then sales and orders may follow. A great many people want houseboats, but they do not know where to get them. There is no regular market for such craft and it is too expensive to deliver them to all parts of the country. It is much the better way for each locality to have its own houseboat center where they can be built and rented as needed. This field is far from being overcrowded today. There is hardly a good size lake, bay or river that does not contain possibilities in this direction.

There is one other type of small houseboat that should be mentioned in this connection. A gentleman living on a lake in the summer wanted a small houseboat for his children to play in. His family did not care to leave their cottage to live on a big houseboat, but the children were crazy over houseboats. So the man visited a local carpenter and discussed the matter with him. The result of this conference was that the carpenter purchased twelve empty beer casks, and after making the bung water-tight, he nailed them together, six on a side by two long beams. He formed a sort of raft out of these barrels by means of a platform of boards on top. This raft was so buoyant that you couldn't sink it if you put two or three tons of coal on it. It was safer than an ocean steamship in some ways.

But his order specifically stated that the cost must



Side Elevation of a Flat-Bottom House-Boat

not be much, for after all the houseboat was merely a plaything for the children. The platform was made of rough second-hand lumber, but when covered by canvas and painted it made a smooth even deck. The next thing was to place upright posts along both sides, and to nail stout canvas overhead and along the sides. This made a canvas houseboat which was as watertight as any tent. The roof was made slanting, a ridge pole running the whole length, and two thicknesses of water-proof canvas covered it. Openings were left in the canvas for windows. Now here was a canvas houseboat built for the children at a total

outlay of \$40. The carpenter received a bonus for his skill and efficiency in designing it. The houseboat proved so attractive that the family often spent whole days on it with the children.

A modern houseboat of any pretensions requires today an upper deck covered with canvas where the owners can enjoy themselves on hot days. There is no space on the ordinary raft or scow for much deck room, and it is better to inclose practically all of the deck with boards and leave the upper deck for recreation. To accomplish this the floor of this upper deck, which forms the ceiling of the inside, must be laid on beams of sufficient strength to prevent any accident. The floor of the upper deck should be covered with



Typical House-Boat Interior

canvas, oiled and painted, and a hand railing should be run around on all sides. Posts for supporting the overhead awning should be put up at each corner, and on large boats on the sides and ends too. This awning should be placed on poles which can be rolled up in times of heavy wind storms and tied snugly to the posts at one end. The entrance to the upper deck should be made from the outside by ladder or stairs. Cost is thus simplified, and nothing but plain carpentering work is needed.

The division of the inside into rooms and the furnishings are merely matters of detail. In small houseboats, two rooms should suffice, a living and sleeping room and a general kitchen and dining-room. Larger boats require two or three extra bedrooms, and some have as many as five and six. The interior is finished off entirely in the natural wood or painted. The cost of this depends upon the amount that is to be expended in the boat. Simple cottage furnishings such as we find in summer homes are the best suited for the houseboat, and if one is building it to rent these need not cost much. There should be added to the outfit two anchors, ropes and a pair of oars. Some include a sail so the houseboat can be moved to a new anchorage when the wind is favorable.

"Are you related to Barney O'Brien?" Thomas O'Brien was once asked.

"Very distantly," replied Thomas. "I was me mother's first child—Barney was th' sivinteenth."



Possibilities of the Steel Square

SHOWING HOW SOME DIFFICULT PROBLEMS MAY BE SOLVED BY MEANS OF THE STEEL SQUARE APPLIED IN A PRACTICAL WAY

AKING up the subject where we left off in the June number, we show in Fig. 255 how an elliptical figure may be drawn by the aid of the steel square, or by first laying off a right angle. By a system of lines, as shown, form the curve as indicated by the dotted line.

In this, it will be seen that the lines center at a point on one side of the angle equal to one-half of

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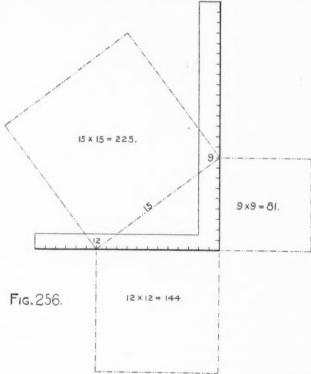
Fig. 255.

the short diameter, radiating to the other side and intersecting the same at double the space of the lines run from the other side of the angle. The intersections of these lines will give the points for the desired curve which, as will be seen by the illustration, forms one-half of the arch or one-fourth of an elliptical figure.

In Fig. 256 is shown a very useful illustration, of how the area of a third square may be made to equal

that of two given squares with the aid of the steel square. This is found by letting the sides of the given squares represent the base and altitude of a right angle triangle. The hypothenuse of which will represent the length of the sides of the third square, which will equal the area of the given squares. In the illustration one of the squares is 12 by 12 inches and one 9 by 9 inches and one 15 by 15 inches. Now, by adding the areas of the two former, it will be found to equal 225, which is just the same as the area of the largest square.

The same proportion exists in the circle as well as in the above example, as will be seen by referring to Fig. 257. Here are three circles with diameters as follows: 12, 16 and 20. The centers of which begin at a, a, a. The rule for finding the area of a circle



is—square the radius and multiply by 3.1416; which will give the area. Thus, the radius of the large circle being 10 its square will equal 100 and 100 times 3.1416 equals 314.16 inches. Proceed in like manner for the other circles and it will be found that the sum of the two will equal the above.

See the example worked out in figures in the illustration. The mathematical solution is only used here to prove the accuracy of the diagram. This is a practical example in more ways than one. Suppose a tinner wishes to turn two pipes of different size into one of equal area. This simple diagram will give the required size for the largest pipe without further figuring.

This calls to mind a costly error made by some parties engaged in putting in drain tile. They understood laying tile to a perfection and prided themselves on their work, but they did not understand how to find the areas or carrying capacity of the tile, and rather than ask some one that knew, they guessed at it. The starting point was at the juncture of two tile

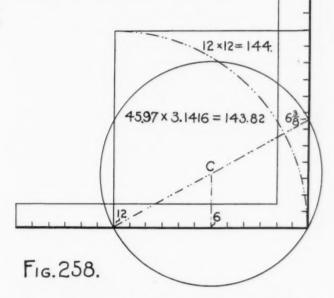
160 x 3.1416 = 314.16 a a b a

emptying into an open ditch and it was in this that the new tile was to be laid. Of course, the main or outlet tile should be at least equal in area at this point to the two emptying into it; but they did not understand how to calculate in figures, or the simple rule given above; and the result was they put in a tile

much too small. It really should have been much larger further on down the line to care for added territory.

Haste is made by going slow sometimes and certainly in this case haste coupled with ignorance made waste.

In Fig. 258 is shown how the area of a square and circle may be approximately made to equal each other by the aid of the steel square. In the example is



shown a square 12 by 12 inches which, of course, contains an areea of 144 inches. Now to make a circle contain an equal amount, draw a line from 12 to 63% as shown. This line will represent the diameter of the circle and one-half of its length will be its radius. This proportion holds good for any size desired. It is shown here for a square foot, simply for illustration purposes. The point for a circle to equal a square of twice this base, or 24 inches, would be twice 63% or 123% inches.

How to Drive a Nail

THE science of nail-driving is the subject of an article by W. D. Graves in a recent number of *The Scientific American*. Mr. Graves notes that the driving of a nail is usually deemed so simple a matter that inability to do the job typifies entire lack of mechanical ability; yet he believes that even skilled mechanics may have something to learn in regard to this elementary operation. He says:

"It usually takes a woodworker's apprentice a year or more to learn that he doesn't know how."

"A fledgling mechanic, who spoke sneeringly of a man whom he heard using several blows of the hammer to drive a shingle nail, was somewhat crestfallen when told that the nail would hold better when driven 'home' by several light taps, than when driven by one heavy one.

"'Why?' he asked, in surprise.

"'Because,' said the other, 'when you drive a nail home with a heavy blow, it is apt to rebound a trifle, loosening the grip of the wood fibres on it. Drive it almost down, if you will, with as hard blows as you wish, but finish the job with several light blows.'

"One who thinks that the driving of a nail simply consists in getting the whole length of it out of sight, has little conception of the real nature of the operation. A nail driven by an expert will often hold several times as much as one ill-driven; while, too, it is often made to draw the parts into place. If you

have ever watched a mechanic driving nails, you have doubtless noted that he rarely drives one at right angles with the face of the work. There is a reason for it. Suppose that he is nailing the 'sheeting' on the frame of a building, and desires to draw the board down tightly against the one below it; he points the nail downward, and a few well considered blows at the last produce the desired effect. If the board is bent edgewise, so that much force is required, probably he will start the nail in the upper edge, pointing very sharply downward. Again, two nails driven in a board at different angles will hold it in place much more firmly than the same nails would if they were driven in at right angles with the face of the board.

"Did you ever notice that, in driving a nail in very hard wood, one man will do it successfully, while another succeeds only in doubling the nail up before the point has fairly entered the wood? The difference lies in the fact that the expert strikes the nail fairly, and not too hard, 'coaxing' it in; while the other strikes too hard and with indirection. It may be profitably mentioned, right here, that in driving a nail into very hard wood, it is usually profitable to dip the end into oil or grease. This will not sensibly interfere with the holding qualities of the nail, while it will very materially facilitate its driving."

That a nail may hold firmly, the writer goes on to say, the pieces it penetrates should be in close contact. A few taps at the finish may serve to bring this

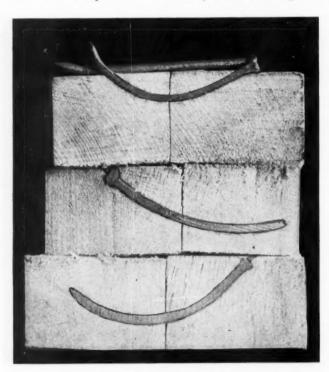


Fig. 1. Nailing for Butt Joints

about; while a heavy blow often destroys it on account of the rebound. The direction in which a nail goes is governed largely by the shape of the point. A horse-shoe nail, by having a chisel point, may be made to swerve and to come out of the hoof but little above

the shoe. By filing the point of a nail off on one side, it may readily be made to take a curved course, or the same result may be attained by bending the point slightly with the claws of the hammer. Fig. 1 shows how two boards may be secured, edge to edge, by nails bent in this way. We read further:

"In driving a clinch nail, there is room for the exercise of some skill. In Fig. 2 the central figure is that of a clinch nail driven down into a hard surface, thus

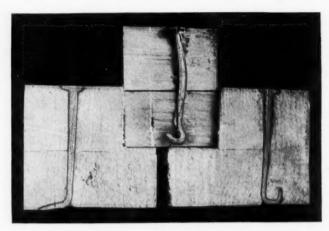


Fig. 2. Clinched Nails

being driven and clinched at the same operation. It will be noted that it is bent in the middle, 'crippled,' thus loosened in the wood and deprived of much of its holding capacity. At the left and right are nails which were first driven through the wood, and had the points bent over afterward, while a heavy hammer, or the like, was held against the head. The one on the left was carelessly bent, leaving a clinch which will straighten easily; while the one at the right was first bent over a trifle at the extreme point, then hammered firmly down. By the latter method, it will be seen, the point is driven into the wood, and thus more securely held in place."

Regarding Stair Building

A correspondent asks regarding stair building how the width of nosing additional to the width of tread is determined.

Always make it correspond to the thickness of the tread. If the thickness of the tread is 7/8 inch make the projection of the tread beyond the face of the rise, which is the "nosing" equal to it.

If the thickness of tread is 2 inches make the projection of the tread beyond the face of the riser 2 inches. This rule is generally followed by all experienced stair builders and is recommended by authorities on the art of stair building.

Effective Treatment

Asked the Progress Woman of the Beauty Culturist: "Don't you think women should exercise the suffrage?"

"Certainly. My method will increase it two inches."

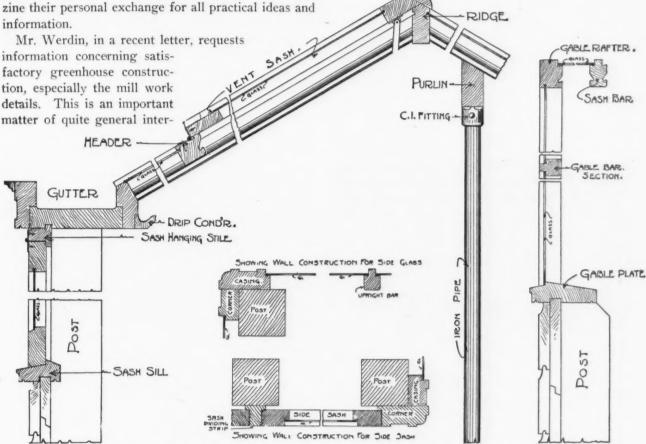


Green House Construction

DESIGNS DETAILED WITH SPECIAL REFERENCEE TO THE MILL WORK REQUIRED IN THE BUILDING OF A GREEN HOUSE SO THAT IT MAY BE DURABLE AND STORM-PROOF

NE of our subscribers, Mr. L. Werdin, of Deseronto, Ontario, has taken the Editors of the American Carpenter and Builder at their word. They have been urging the readers to send in suggestions and requests, to make this magazine their personal exchange for all practical ideas and information.

NE of our subscribers, Mr. L. Werdin, of Deseronto, Ontario, has taken the Editors of the American Carpenter and Builder at They have been urging the readers to the statement that a pair of cypress doors in St. Peter's Cathedral at Rome were taken out in perfect condition after having done service for 1100 years. The same authority classes the American cedar as belonging to



Section Through Wall, Eaves and Ridge

Section Through Gable Ends

est. The designs here given have been in use in the building of hundreds of modern greenhouses by a prominent construction company that makes a specialty of this kind of work. They have been found durable and storm proof and thoroughly satisfactory.

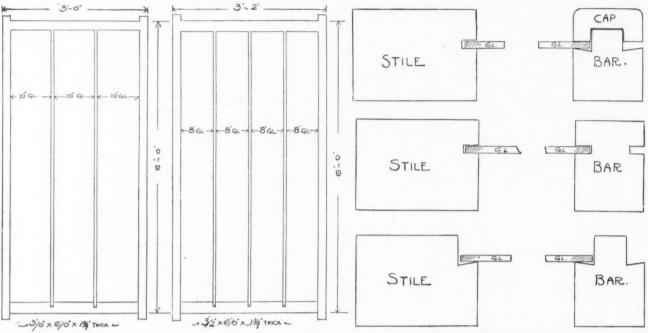
It is conceded by all authorities that red cypress free from sapwood (which is the wood nearest to the bark), and air dried, resists indefinitely the attack of decay. The Encyclopedia Britannica is authority for

the cypress family, and the red wood as the connecting link between pine and cypress. However, everything considered, cypress is the most practicable and available wood for green house work which, in the very nature of the case, furnishes about the severest test to the rot resisting properties of the wood.

Material with sapwood in it is one of the greatest dangers in green-house construction, and one most rigidly to be avoided. One sappy sash bar may cause more trouble and expense than the difference between the cost of the highest and lowest grade material for the entire house.

For wall and gutter supports posts are usually set

to receive this sheathing. The outside siding of any kind is nailed on over the sheathing and should have a tough waterproof paper well lapped placed between it and the sheathing. The detail drawings show



Methods of Securing Glass

in the ground at least three feet and surrounded in the ground with cement concrete, making the whole about ten inches in diameter. When 16-foot lumber is used the posts should be set 5 feet 2 inches from center to center. Square gulf red heart cypress posts are best; and when set in the above manner last an indefinite length of time. When common round cedar posts are used a slab is usually taken off on one side so that a flat surface is gained to nail the sheathing to. Iron pipe posts are set in concrete in the same manner, and require a special cast-iron fitting at top for con-

SEATE SASH BAR

SASH BAR

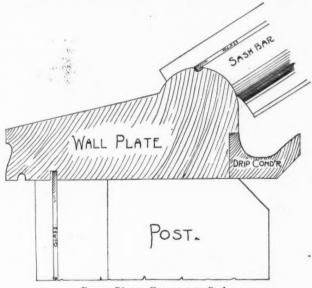
SASH BAR

Details-Ventilating Sash Hinged to Ridge

necting to the gutter or wall plates. A good proportion for the concrete is I para cement, 2 parts sharp sand, and 4 parts broken stone or gravel.

For the sheathing ship-lap is used, made either of hemlock or pine 6 to 8 inches wide. The details show a groove in the underside of gutters and wall plates special construction for side sash, stationary side glass, and for the gable ends where glass and doors are used. The door frames are made from 2-inch material and run up to the gable rafter. Doors are usually made 3 feet wide, 13% inches thick and of height to suit the house.

Proper ventilation is a very important factor in successful green-house woork. In top ventilation the sash



Eaves Plate-Concentric Style

is hinged to the header and in bottom ventilation the sash is hinged to the ridge. Details for both kinds are given. It is largely a matter of individual preference among growers which is used, but for vegetables, carnations and the hardy plants top ventilation is mostly preferred, while bottom ventilation is ususally used

for roses and such tender plants. Unless continuous ventilation is desired and ordered we would suggest that one row of glass be run to the ridge between each sash, thus giving a chance for the swelling of the sash to be taken up, also this arrangement admits of a freer circulation of air than is the case in continuous ventilation, as there is an opening at the end of each sash instead of only at the ends of the continuous row. The ventilating sash should preferably be as near 7 feet as the width of glass will permit, otherwise they will require too many lifters if small, or become unwieldly if much larger.

The best and most economical material for the con-

struction of benches is pecky cypress. It is very rough looking and disappointing in its appearance, but being made of all heart cypress without sap has the lasting qualities of the best grade, and its pecky condition (which looks something like worm holes and decay) really is an advantage, as it aids in draining and does not impair its use for the purpose. All heart cypress for bench supports are almost everlasting.

Two systems of construction at the eaves are in general use. One furnishes a gutter to conduct the water away; the other allows it to drip, but at the same time protects the side walls. Details of both are shown, the latter being the simpler and less expensive.

Bungalow Framing Details With Estimate

DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION OF A TYPICAL BUNGALOW CORNICE WITH EXPOSED RAFTERS-HOW THE COSTS SHOULD BE FIGURED

By I. P. Hicks

HE bungalow style of building requires special designs and details of finish in order to carry out the work in a style that will be in harmony with the plan and general design.

The bungalow must have its extra-wide cornice to give it the bungalow appearance, and the rafter ends must also be of good material and dressed up smooth so that they can be properly finished. And, above all, it is always interesting to the contractor to know how to figure the cost of construction. There is probably no better way to figure a cornice than by the lineal foot, for if we have a plan it is comparatively easy to find the lineal feet of cornice required to cornice the building; then, if we know the number of square feet of some kinds of lumber and the lineal feet of other kinds, it is easy to arrive at either the cost of the material or the labor or both as may be desired.

First, we will estimate the value of the lumber per lineal foot of cornice. The projection of the cornice is 3 feet from the inside of the building. It is quite convenient as well as economical to make the plancher of 7/8-inch flooring, nailed on to the rafters with smooth side down. The flooring should be either 51/4 or 31/4-inch face.

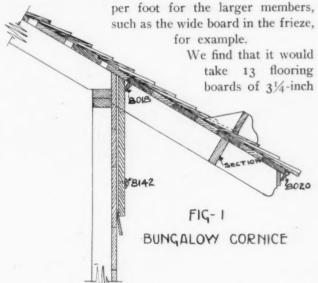
This cornice will require a plancher $3\frac{1}{2}$ feet wide. Counting the amount of lumber lost in the matching of the boards and allowing for some waste in cutting, it will require 4 square feet of flooring per lineal foot of cornice, which at 4 cents per square foot would be 16 cents. The combined width of the frieze and fascia is about 21/2 feet, which at 4 cents per square foot would make 10 cents per lineal foot of cornice. Summing the matter all up we have the cost as follows:

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Now for the labor part estimated as near as possible at 40 cents per hour. To get at this in a practical manner it is about the best way to figure by the lineal foot at so much per member, charging a higher rate

thousand, is worth 30 cents per lineal foot of cornice.

Thus we see that the material, figured at \$40 per



face to make up the plancher; we will put these in at I cent a foot for each hoard making.

i cent a root for each board, making.	
Flooring boards	80.13
Molding, No. 8020, per foot	.OI
Molding, No. 8142, per foot	.OI
Molding, No. 8018, which has to be cut in be-	
tween every rafter, per foot	.02
The fascia	.OI
The lower piece of frieze	.011/2
Upper piece of frieze cut in between rafters	
Wide part of frieze	.04

Thus we find the cost of labor to be 26 cents per lineal foot.

The gutter on the roof is best to estimate separate on account of there not being any gutter on some sides; as across gables, for example. For the gutter we have only the back, end pieces and gutter brackets, if any are used. The back piece of gutter would only be worth about 2 cents per lineal foot, and the brackets about 1 cent each. The labor of putting in the wood work could be figured at 2 cents per lineal foot, making a total cost of 5 cents per lineal foot for lumber and labor. The lining of the gutter with a good quality of tin will cost about 12½ cents per lineal foot, making

total cost of gutter for material and labor 17½ to 18 cents per lineal foot.

In the construction of the cornice the frieze and bed mold which cut in between the rafters should be put on first, that is before the plancher is, then the latter can be nailed down from the top, making a thoroughly tight job. The board that goes between the rafters should be of just the right width, which is easier than to use a wide board and notch around the rafters.

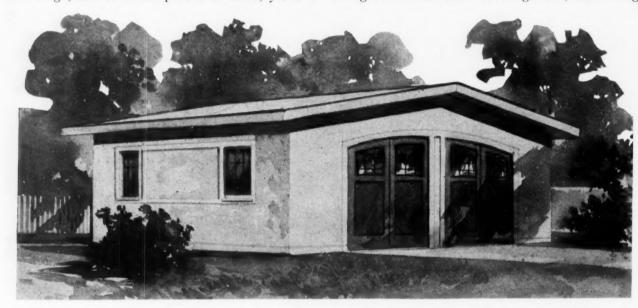
Practical Garage Design

PERSPECTIVE AND FLOOR PLANS OF A PRACTICAL GARAGE OF VERY NEAT DESIGN AND OF A SIZE MOST FREQUENTLY DESIRED

THE accompanying design shows a garage, or automobile house, of a type very popular in the suburban towns. It is simple in arrangement and design, and so is inexpensive to build, yet it is

walls and ceiling matched beaded ceiling over tarred building paper; floor, cement; and roof, shingles.

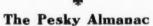
In size this garage is 30 by 24 feet. This is large enough to accommodate two large cars, with enough



A Practical Artistic Garage

very attractive in appearance.

The material to be used in its construction are: Exterior, cement plaster on wooden lath; interior, side room to spare to permit of their being overhauled and cleaned.



Hayrix—Thar be one thing erbout them 'ere pesky almernacks I can't understand.

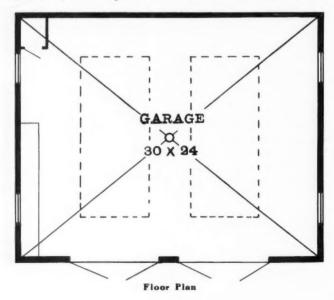
Mrs. Hayrix-What be that, Hiram?

Hayrix—Why'n tarnation don't they fix it so we kin hev a moon on dark nights when we need it, by grass?

Where He Slept

A prosperous farmer sent his son to New York to begin life as a clerk. After he had been in the metropolis for six months the farmer wrote the merchant to ascertain how his son was getting along and where he spent his nights. In due time the merchant sent a reply to the farmer which read:

"Your son sleeps in the store in the daytime. I don't know where he spends his nights."—The Circle.





A Beautiful Summer Cottage

PHOTOS OF BOTH INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR, TOGETHER WITH FLOOR PLANS OF A VERY ATTRACTIVE, WELL-DESIGNED SUMMER HOME

A T MAGNOLIA, in Massachusetts, is located the interesting summer home of Miss M. L. Bradford, which was designed by Messrs. Everitt & Mead, architects, of Boston. In appearance it strongly resembles the Colonial type of New England farmhouse. It stands back some little distance from the highway in the midst of sloping lawns, and

against a background of fine old trees. The exterior finish is of shingle, left unstained.

A broad, uncovered veranda extends across the entire front of the house, and it connects at one end with the side veranda, which is roofed over. Large



First Floor Plan



Second Floor Plan

tubs of foliage plants and boxes filled with pink geraniums are placed at intervals about. A low hedge of Japanese barberry outlines the front lawn, and great clumps of shrubbery are planted at one side.

The interior finish is of cypress, planed, and stained a dull brown; no sheathing is used. The floors are all of polished hardwood.

The entrance door opens directly into the living-room, a cosy apartment, which connects at one end with the dining-room and kitchen. A massive fire-place, constructed of red brick laid in white mortar, occupies a prominent position at one side. To the right of the fireplace a flight of stairs ascends to the second floor, and just beneath is arranged a roomy clothes closet concealed behind curtains. A bow casement window at one side of the room overlooks the side veranda and commands an extended view of the main highway.

On the second floor are three chambers, a bathroom and linen closet, and in addition each room has a clothes closet and a set of drawers built into the wall under the sloping roof.

At present the house is suited only to summer occupancy, but it could easily be made an all-the-year-round home. The sloping ground at the rear of the house would permit of the construction of a cellar, or one could easily be built under the whole structure. With the walls plastered, a furnace installed and storm windows put on, the house would do for the winter.



The Dining Room

Following is the estimated cost:	
Lumber	\$800.00
Carpenter work	600.00
Painting and staining	150.00
Hardware	100.00
Plumbing	250.00
Brickwork	100.00
Total	\$2,000.00



The Living Room Showing Stairway



The Living Room Showing Casement Windows



The Covered Porch-Bradford Cottage



Summer Porch Furniture

FULL INSTRUCTIONS WITH WORKING DRAWINGS SHOWING HOW TO MAKE A SET OF CHAIRS AND A SETTEE FOR PORCH USE

PORCH furniture should be light of weight so that it can be moved in and out of doors as occasion requires. As far as possible the ordinary glue-joint construction should be avoided so that should sudden rains be blown upon it no great damage shall be done due to unusual swelling and subsequent shrinkage. Of course it is possible to go

to extremes in this respect and build pieces so rough and rugged that they are suggestive of the barn or factory rather than the house. The accompanying designs show a fair proportioning of the two types of fastenings.

These pieces have seats of wood with slats interspaced for ventilation and properly shaped for comfort.

Whatever finish is used a water-proof final coat should be applied. Plain red oak is an appropriate wood and may suitably be finished with a dark Flemish stain and filler followed by a dull finish.

For the arm chair order the following:

ticals can have their top ends cut to the proper slant after the parts are assembled, begin the measurements for length from the bottom and leave the top ends until ready to fit the arms. The rear verticals are to be shaped as indicated in the drawing. The lower ends of both front and rear verticals are sloped slightly to make them harmonize with the curves of the bases.



	No.	Thick,	Wide,	Long,	
	Pcs.	In.	In.	In.	
Front verticals	2	7/8	31/4	271/2	S-4-S
Back verticals	2	7/8	43/4	341/2	S-4-S
Bases	2	7/8	41/4	261/2	S-4-S
Side rails	2	7/8	33/4	241/2	S-4-S
Front rail	I	7/8	33/4	211/2	S-4-S
Back rail	I	7/8	33/4	191/2	S-4-S
Back rails	2	3/4	5	191/2	S-2-S
Back rail	I	3/4	71/2	191/2	S-2-S
Arms	2	7/8	51/4	25	S-2-S
Braces under arms	2	7/8	21/2	7	S-4-S
Seat	7	3/4	23/4	201/2	S-4-S
Cleats	2	7/2	7/6	21	S-4-S

There will also be needed sixteen wood bolts, with nuts and washers ½ inch by 2 inches, and four machine bolts ¼ by 3 inches.

Begin work on the verticals. Since the front ver-

Next prepare the bases. These shapes are rather unusual and it may be well to make paper patterns or templets of thin wood to be used in laying them out.

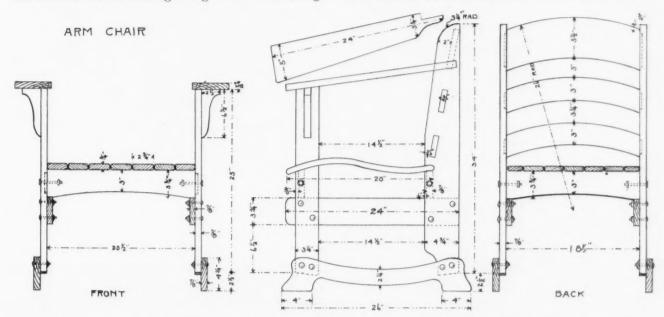
The side rails are plain except the front ends, which are rounded. These are to be 7/8 by 33/4 by 24 inches, with the 1/4-inch bit bore the holes for the bolts which are to fasten the sides together. Bolt together the two sides of the chair.

Slope the arms as shown in the drawing and fasten them in place after having cut the tops of the front verticals to shape. To get this slope, hold the arm at the proper angle and alongside the verticals at the proper height and mark under the arm upon the vertical with a pencil or knife. Dowels and glue are to be used to fasten the arms to the verticals. The position of the chair arm is somewhat out of the ordinary,

the idea being to give the arm of the occupant an easy position away from the body.

It'should be noted that the front end of the arm of the chair is not cut at a right angle to the inside edge as the ones to be draw-bolted, are to be thoroughly glued and clamped.

It will be noted that the top edges of the front and back rails are to be beveled so that the seat slats shall



of the chair as are most chair arms, but is cut at an angle such as will bring the front edge parallel to the front of the chair.

Shape the braces and fasten them in place under the arms, using dowels and glue.

Now prepare the rails for front and back. The front rail is to be 3¾ inches wide at the ends, the lower edge being curved at such a radius as to give 3 inches at the middle of the piece. The corresponding rear rail is similarly shaped. Its length, however, is only 18½ inches between the posts while that of the front is 20½ inches. This difference in length will necessitate cutting either the sides of the mortises or of the tenons of the front and back rails at a slight angle, also the shoulders of the tenons.

The tenons to be used on these and the rest of the back rails are what are known as stub tenons. Since the thickness of the pieces into which they enter is only $\frac{7}{8}$ of an inch, these tenons can be only about $\frac{3}{8}$ inch long.

Cut the tenons and mortises; then shape the edges of the back rails. These rails are curved on the edges only—they are not curved the flat way as are most chairs. The radius for each is 26 inches. The tenons might have been cut after the curves were shaped. However, by laying out the curves, then cutting the tenons before the curves no confusion as to the proper location of the tenons need arise.

The front and back rails to which the seat is to be fastened are to be secured to the verticals by means of draw-bolts, the 3-inch machine bolts being used for this purpose. The boring for the nuts that are to enter the rails will be done on the inner surfaces of the rails, of course. The rest of the tenons, as well

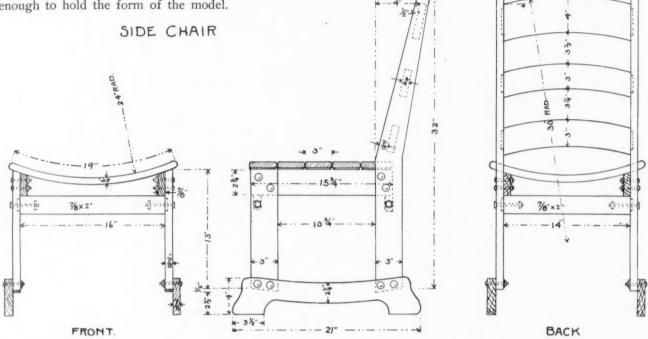
fit them properly, also the top edges of the cleats.

These slats are shaped by steaming the wood, then clamping them to forms previously worked to the desired shape, as shown in the drawing. Fix up a steam box as follows: Nail four pieces of boards together so as to make a steamtight box of a size sufficient to take in the slats to be shaped. Close one end of the box, boring a hole in it large enough to take in the



end of a piece of iron pipe or a garden hose. Put the pieces in this box, connect the box to some steamproducing vessel—a tea kettle would do—using a piece of hose, and stuff rags in the open end of the box. Allow the pieces to remain until they are thoroughly saturated with moisture and are pliable, then take them out and clamp them to the forms. Allow them to remain on the forms until the wood has dried out enough to hold the form of the model.

the front and back rails. The sides of the chair are assembled first, then the back and front rails glued up, and finally the seat is put on.





The Settee

The settee which is shown is so similar in the manner of its construction that no additional drawing is needed for it. The ends of the settee are exactly like those of the chair. The length of the front rail is 41 inches, measuring from the inside of one post to the inside of the other. The back rail is 39 inches long from inside to inside. Fourteen slats will be needed for the bottom. The back horizontals and the cleats to which the seat is to be fastened must be made correspondingly longer. The curvature of these back rails is of the same radius as for the chair for the same length of horizontal. The intervening part of the horizontals is straight, as will be seen in the

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picture. MILL BILL FOR THE SETTEE. No. Thick, Wide, Long, Pcs. In. In. Front verticals 2 7/8 31/4 Back verticals 2 43/4 7/8 Bases 2 41/4 Side rails 33/4 Front rail I 7/8 33/4 Back rail I 33/4 Back rails 2 Back rail 1 3/4 71/2 Arms 2 Braces under arms..... 2 21/2 Seat 14 3/4 23/4 Cleats Bolts as for the arm chair will be needed.

Thoroughly scrape and sandpaper all the parts preparatory to applying the finish. The bottom pieces are made fast to the cleats and these in turn fastened to

The Side Chair

The construction of the side chair is along the same lines as the two just described. The proportions are different and the seat is put on differently. The radius of the seat slats is 24 inches. They are fastened to the chair rails by means of small-headed nails. These heads are set below the surface of the wood slightly and the holes are to be filled with a putty colored to match the finish.

No rocking chair has been described in this set of porch furniture. The manner in which either the arm or side chair can be made into rockers is very evident, the making of rockers and their substitution for the present bases accomplishing this result. The bolts which fasten the bases to the verticals make it possible

to change from one kind to another quickly.

MILL BILL FOR THE SIDE CHAIR.

	No. Pcs.		Wide, In.	Long, In.	
Front verticals	-	7/8	3	14	S-4-S
Back verticals		7/8	6 .	33	S-2-S
Bases	2	7/8	41/2	211/2	S-2-S
Side rails	2	7/8	23/4	16	S-4-S
Front rail	I	7/8	2	17	S-4-S
Back rail	I	7/8	2	15	S-4-S
Back rails	2	3/4	5	15	S-2-S
Back rail	1	3/4	6	15	S-2-S
Seat	5	3/4	*3	20	S-4-S

The bolts needed are the same as for the other chair.

Pressed Steel vs. Cast Iron Radiation

A PAPER PRESENTED BEFORE THE AMERICAN SOCIETY OF HEATING AND VENTILATING ENGINEERS
AND DISCUSSING A SUBJECT OF MUCH INTEREST TO BUILDERS

By Ray D. Lillibridge

OTWITHSTANDING the obvious advantages of sheet-metal radiation in the way of reduced weight, reduced space occupied, facility of handling, and ability to withstand, without injury, the freezing of contained water, there prevails in some quarters the general impression that this new form of radiation also possesses inherent defects which render it unworthy of consideration as a substitute for castiron radiation. This impression is due, perhaps, in no small measure to the adroitly conducted "Campaign of Discouragement" that has been directed against this new thing—as comprehensive and systematic a campaign as was ever directed against any innovation, the advent of which threatened the commercial supremacy of the interests occupying a chosen field.

Such opposition and obstacles are not unusual. It was so with the railroad, with the automatic harvester, with the telegraph, the telephone, etc. It was so with steel itself. Benjamin Huntsman, the inventer of the process that produced the world's steel up to the invention of Henry Bessemer, found difficulty in introducing his product in his own country, owing to the conservatism of the Sheffield cutlers, who "perversely declined to work a metal so much harder and denser than any to which they had been accustomed, so that he was compelled to introduce his product, which was destined to revolutionize steel making, through a foreign market."

But, as in the case of those great inventions, it is also to be expected that the hindrances put in the way of the new form of radiation will be ineffective in the end; since anything of the kind of genuine merit, if properly exploited, cannot long be prevented in this age of progress from coming to its own. Now that this particular new thing has survived the vicissitudes of the experimental stage, and has entered upon a career of commercial success, it may prove advantageous to point out the fallacy of some of the arguments advanced against it. A permanent record of the discussion of the subject may also be of value for future reference.

The durability and efficiency of the new form of radiation have been assailed particularly. Dire predictions have been made as to the short life of the thin steel walls of the pressed radiation as compared with the thick walls of the cast-iron type. Ominous comparisons have issued, of which, perhaps, the one most often heard is that likening the pressed radiator to the steel kitchen boiler, which has proved to be comparatively short lived. Finally, on the subject of efficiency, ignoring the more than compensating virtue of a thin metal wall versus a thick one, capital has been made out of the theory that steel has a slightly lower radiating power than iron.

If we are going to discuss the vulnerability of steel to the corrosive impurities of water in radiating systems, one has but to refer to the steel nipple connecting the sections of the cast-iron radiators, which are located in the direct path of all circulation, to call to attention that the cast-iron chain is no stronger, at the point of its weakest link, than steel. The screw nipple used between sections of cast-iron radiators is of much smaller cross-section, especially after threading, than the 20-gage (16-gage after galvanizing) steel radiator. As for push nipples, these as regards durability are about on a par with the walls of pressed radiators, except that the many that have come under the writer's observation were either not galvanized at all or the galvanizing was decidedly scant. Or, why not refer to the steel pipe connections, which are similarly weakened by threading (Fig. 1), but which are as integral a part of the radiator system as the radiators themselves? In both the screw nipples and pipe connections, not only is the material pared down, but the galvanizing, if any, is removed by the threading; so that these elements are far more liable to be eaten away than is the continuous, well-galvanized sheet metal of the pressed radiator.

Consider further the small quarter-inch pipe commonly used with vacuum systems and compare the thinness of the wall of this quarter-inch pipe, especially after cutting the threads, with the thickness of the pressed radiator wall. Moreover, it is seldom that these pipes have any interior protective coating. Think of the trouble that would arise with vacuum systems if these little pipes should fail from corrosion. As this consideration seems to arouse no anxiety, is it logical to condemn on the same score the pressed radiator?

It is safe to say that a very small proportion of the pipe used for connecting radiators is really wrought iron, although "wrought-iron pipe" is usually specified. Although Mr. T. N. Thomson's paper before this society last January has led to much discussion, no one has questioned his observation that of the samples sent to him from all over the country of "good old wrought-iron pipe," 80 per cent. proved to be steel. At the recent Atlantic City meeting of the American Society for Testing Materials, Professors Howe and Stoughton outline corroborative testimony of a most convincing character. Incidentally, Mr. Thomson's

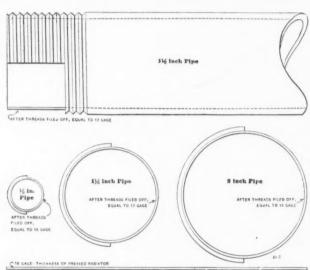


Fig. 1. Pipe Thicknesses Compared with Pressed Radiator Wall

tests, concluding that steel withstands better the corrosive impurities of water than wrought-iron, are more than substantiated by Professors Howe and Stoughton's conclusions. I beg to quote you just a paragraph from the latter. The italics are mine:

"It is found that * * * the wrought-iron skelp, though from the best makers, pitted in seven months much deeper than the steel did in thirteen months. It seems to us that the fairest way is to confine our attention to the deepest pit in each plate, because, as has well been said before this Society, if there is a hole the water will run out, no matter how much the pipe weighs Using thus the deepest pit in each piece, as a basis of comparison, in our tests the steel pitted very much less than the wrought-iron."

The comparison of the pressed radiator with the kitchen boiler for durability is particularly inconsistent for the reason that the very service of the kitchen boiler insures that the water is constantly changed, and the effect of any contained corroding agent is thereby multiplied thousands of times as compared with the corroding effect in a closed-circuit radiating system. Moreover, the majority of kitchen boilers are

made of inferior grades of steel, and actual investigation has shown that the galvanizing they receive upon the inside is often of the proverbial "lick-and-promise" type; whereas pressed radiators are made of the very best open-hearth sheets, low in phosphorous, carbon and sulphur, and after manufacture are galvanized with a coating of $4\frac{1}{2}$ ounces of zinc to the square



Fig. 2. Vertical Sections at Extremities

foot, increasing their effective thickness from 20 gage to 16 gage.

On the subject of efficiency, the original form of pressed radiation was defective because of the peculiarly shaped top to each section, which interfered with the free circulation of the air and because, in the light of more recent knowledge, insufficient space was allowed between the sections. This peculiarly shaped top is shown in the left-hand illustration, Fig. 2, which is a vertical section of the old pressed radiator. The two right-hand illustrations of this figure show, respectively, a section of pressed radiation with the single seam, and with the double seam as now manufactured, respectively. This improved double seam gives an entirely impervious joint.

As for the maintained superior radiating efficiency of cast-iron as compared with steel, Professor Carpenter, Professor Kent, Professor Allen, Mr. W. T. Monroe, M. E., and the many references quoted by these authorities incline to agree that the differences appearing between the radiating efficiency of various metals are due more to differences in surfaces, differences in size and shapes of the radiators tested, and to different methods of test, than to differences in metal. I beg to quote from Professor Carpenter's "Conclusions from Radiator Tests" (page 112, Heating and Ventilating Buildings):

"The experiments do not show any sensible difference for different materials used in radiators, or for hot water or steam, provided the difference in temperature between the air in the room and that of the fluid in the radiator is the

A favorite implication of some of the exponents of cast-iron is that pressed radiation is from "30 to 40



Fig. 3. Cross Section of Two-Column Radiator

per cent. less efficient." The really vital test for any radiation is that of heating the particular room it is designed to heat. The calculating of the appropriate size of radiator from which to expect the adequate heating of a given room is sufficiently standardized so that any type of radiator failing so far short of the

radiating capacity of cast-iron could not continue to live in the heating world. It is conservative to say that pressed radiation continues to live after six years of existence. Is it not, therefore, abundantly clear that the practical differences between the radiating efficiency of steel and iron resolve themselves into mere talking points, and that any references to vague and indefinite tests that show to the contrary should not go unchallenged?

Comparative tests, to be of value, should be conducted by disinterested people and under specified, uniform conditions. It is too often taken for granted that the entering steam is "dry," whereas only calorimeter readings should be considered competent to determine this point. When even under such conditions differences do appear, it is well to bear in mind that great differences exist by condensation tests between the efficiency of different types of cast-iron radiation. For instance. I refer to tests conducted by Professor Allen at the University of Michigan, showing a difference of 16 per cent. between two popular types of cast-iron radiators. I have also in mind the test which decided in favor of pressed radiators one of the most important installations of radiators in the world. This test was conducted by a committee consising of the architect's engineer, the building engineer, the consulting engineers of the builders, and the contracting steam fitter. It is noteworthy that the conclusions reached were not based upon condensation, but upon the heat units conveyed to the atmosphere by the respective radiators under identical conditions.

Judging by various published tables and the extensive adoption of one-inch pipe for radiator service prior to the advent of cast-iron radiators, the most efficient proportion between containing capacity and heating surface of radiation is that of the one-inch pipe, very nearly one pint to the square foot. The average proportion with the steel radiator is just about one pint to the square foot, whereas cast-iron radiators average about 50 per cent. greater. Besides this nearer approach to the ideal proportion of capacity to surface, there is less water and steam and far less metal to raise to the working temperature before effective heating is available, and to remain heated after the discontinuance of heat is desired; so that pressed radiators heat up more quickly when the valve is open and cool off more quickly when the valve is closed than cast-iron radiators. This positiveness of operation becomes an especially valuable consideration when heat is needed only for an hour or so a day-as in the spring and fall, when a little heat is required to take the chill out of the air, and during the mild winters that prevail in certain parts of the country.

Another argument advanced in favor of the castiron radiators as against the steel radiator is that the sections of the former possess all the advantages of individual units. For example, if they are broken they can be replaced, or, if it is desired to decrease or in-

crease the size of a given radiator, one or more sections can be removed or added, respectively. The comparative unwieldiness of the cast-iron radiator, and the formidable task of prying apart and pushing together the predominating type of iron radiators having push nipples, however, are material points against the unit argument, which more than offset the advantages. It will usually prove cheaper, cleaner, and quicker, to send for a new pressed radiator than to tamper with the sections of a cast-iron one.

The personal equation, unconscious bias, or mere conservatism naturally enter into any consideration of this new subject as they enter into all others. So, when you hear of failures of steel radiators, it may be well for you to know instances that give testimony on the other side. For example, there are several concerns of heating contractors which have made many large installations of the pressed type of radiator who today declare that they would consider it a great misfortune if they were deprived of this new form of radiation.

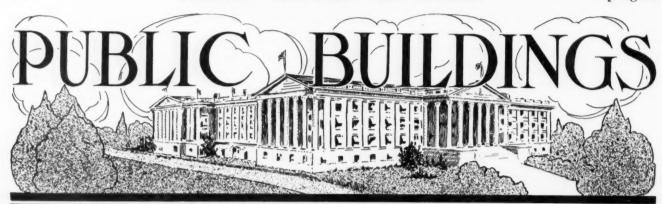
As with anything new, more is expected of pressed radiation than of the older types. The same defects or troubles which would condemn the new are accepted as matters of course when they occur in the old. Job for job or radiator for radiator, it will be found to be absolutely true that with the pressed radiators as they are made today no more trouble develops than with cast-iron radiators.

Copper for Steam Pipes

In a recent lecture before the Institute of Marine Engineers of London, Eng., J. T. Milton, chief engineer of Lloyd's Register, made an interesting declaration on the use of copper for steam pipes. Speaking on this point, he said:

"Copper is valuable for steam pipes chiefly on account of its ductility, its ability to withstand considerable repetitions of changes of form, and its non-liability to rust. Ordinary copper contains a proportion of impurities such as arsenic, bismuth, antimony, lead and other metals, but by electrical deposition it is possible to obtain pure copper. The latter is especially useful for electrical purposes by reason of its high conductivity. Impurities affect the conductivity to a great extent. The presence of bismuth in copper is exceedingly deleterious, one part in 1,000 rendering the copper useless for important works, as at high temperatures its strength is reduced, and the copper becomes very brittle.

"Impurities in copper, when in small quantities, on the whole have a good effect for most purposes, and the recent British Admiralty tests allowed 0.7 per cent for these. In making sheet copper it is cast in slabs and first rolled when hot. Subsequent thicknesses are rolled cold, and the quality of the copper depends to a great extent on the amount of work put upon it in undergoing this process."



Library Building of Unique Design

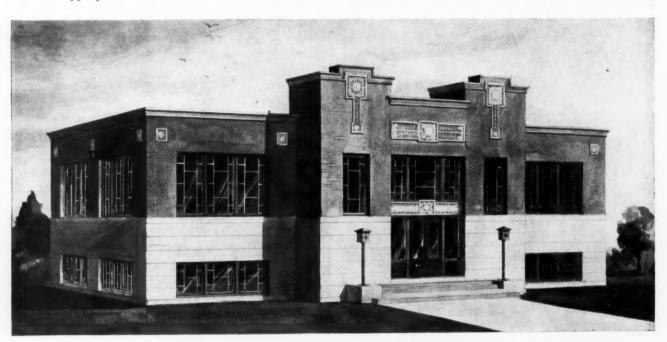
PERSPECTIVE AND PLAN OF AN ATTRACTIVE WELL-ARRANGED LIBRARY BUILDING-A STRIKING EXAMPLE OF L'ARTANOUVEAU OR THE STRAIGHT-LINE STYLE

and expected thing for every village and town to have its public library building. In fact, the library has come to rank in the popular mind well up with the public schools as an educator. So village councils appropriate funds for the erection and main- an article for the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER,

N RECENT years it has become quite the usual this clear and shows other desirable features in the arrangement of this building.

New Method of House Framing

I have been thinking for some time about writing



Pleasing Example of the Straight-Line Style in Library Building

tenance of the public library just the same as for other educational work.

The building itself, which is to house the library, deserves considerable attention. It need not be over large; yet it should be substantially built, and so designed as to be dignified and individual in appearance.

The accompanying perspective and floor plan show a small library building recently designed by Geo. W. Ashby, architect. It is rather striking in appearance, and is a thoroughly good arrangement and design. The materials are smooth-faced concrete blocks, buff colored brick and terra cotta trimmings. The interior arrangement gives a large well-lighted space for book stacks. The floor plan shown on the next page makes

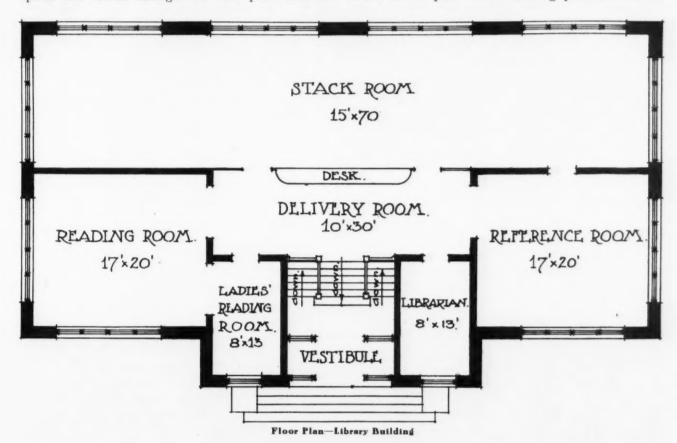
but have been unable to find what I thought would be a suitable subject, but I think I have found it at last and I think that any wide-awake reader of this magazine will readily catch my ideas and absorb the benefits which I am aiming at along this line of construction.

My idea is in the building of a 2-story house, to build one story at a time and thus save material and make the building stronger and better. I, myself, as a carpenter, have worked on all kinds of work, some on which my idea was partially carried out, but where a great deal more material was used than was really necessary.

Now since nearly every contractor has adopted

nearly the same method of construction for the first floor, namely, "putting on joist box sills and laying sheathing floor before raising any of the framework," I will start my article from this point. In most all the work that I ever worked on, the floor plate was first spiked to the floor. I think there is a better way, and that is by laying both bottom and top plate at the same time and then spiking the whole side together, including floor plate, before raising. By so doing the spikes are driven through the floor plate into the

vantages over any other, most of all is the convenience of putting in heat stacks for hot air furnaces. You can bring a stack up between two studding and turn the stack to one side and place a floor register without the least bit of cutting; or if there is a jog between the lower and upper partitions the same will hold good with the exception of cutting the foot plate of the upper partition to place a wall register. All studding set over bearing partitions should run clear down on the plate of the bearing partition and be



studding and thus do away with all that toe-nailing of the studding to the floor plate.

Now then we must deal with the length of the studding. First, it must be considered that all floor joist on the same floor should run in the same direction. All partitions of the first story, both interior and exterior, running the crossway of the floor joists above will be bearing partitions, and must be framed to make the right height for the ceiling; and the nonbearing partitions should be framed the width of the joist higher and thus catch the second story floor, saving a joist and making the floor bear directly upon the partitions. Then on the exterior wall a plate 2 inches wider than the stud should be used, so as to catch the floor past the studs; and on interior walls, that continuing on up should have a plate 4 inches wider than the studs. Let this extend 2 inches on each side of the partition. Then it remains to nail a strip across the studs, to catch the ends of the lath, even with the bottom of the joist.

I think this method of construction has many ad-

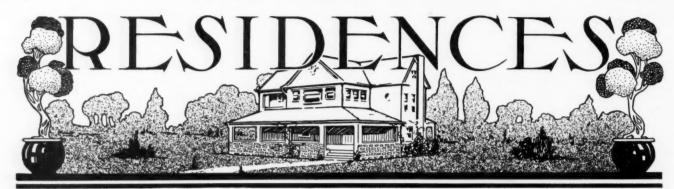
spiked onto the sides of the joist. Studding set over the longitudinal partitions must be set on top of plate and toe-nailed. If the well hole in a building of this kind comes to the outside wall the exterior wall studding should run up the full two stories.

While I believe I have explained very thoroughly my ideas along this line I think that anyone should try this method through on a job. Then he would understand it and would like it so much better that he would never change back to the old way.

W. A. CALDWELL.

Irish Wit

A young member of the House of Commons who had just made his maiden speech sat upon his new silk hat. There were roars of laughter. An Irish member immediately arose and gravely said: "Mr. Speaker, permit me to congratulate the honorable gentleman upon the happy circumstance that when he sat on his hat his head was not in it!"



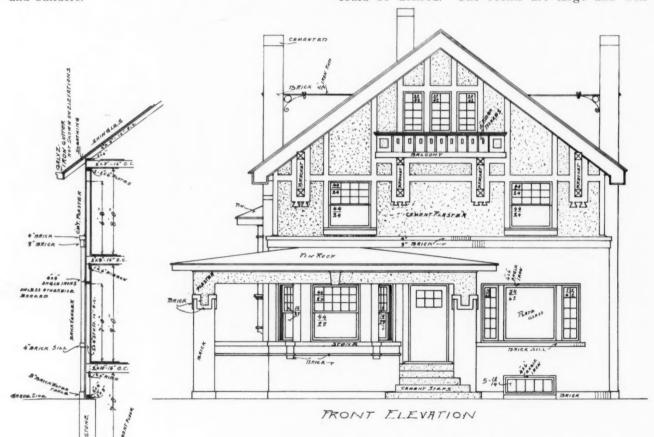
Attractive Modern House Plans

FULL WORKING DRAWINGS INCLUDING ELEVATIONS, FLOOR PLANS, AND DETAILS OF CONSTRUCTION AND FINISH OF AN ATTRACTIVE MODERN HOUSE

E PRESENT this month a complete set of architect's drawing of a modern 8-room house, just as it was designed and built for Mr. E. C. Brown, of Lake Mills, Wis. These drawings, made to a quarter-inch scale, have been reduced to practically one-eighth inch to the foot. They will be studied with a good deal of interest by carpenters and builders.

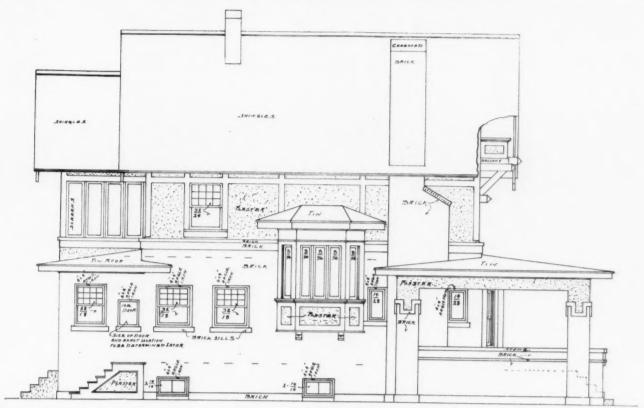
bricks used in Mr. Brown's house were the dark brown, dull finished bricks, and the exposed timbers and wood trim of the second story and cornice were stained a similar color. The cement plaster, applied with a rough pebble-dash finish was left the natural gray in color.

The interior arrangement of this house is all that could be desired. The rooms are large and well-



This house is a combination structure, standard wood framing, with 4-inch brick veneered first story and with the second story surfaced with cement plaster and divided into panels with exposed timbers. This makes a very warm and substantial construction and presents a very neat and stylish appearance. The

lighted; not at all cramped or stuffy, yet very cosy and homelike. The house builder can get a good many valuable ideas from these plans concerning the built-in fixtures; cupboards, bookcases, mantels, consoles, closets, etc., which are now so much in demand for first-class residences. The floor plans show where these are located and the detailed drawings show their construction.



SIDE ELEVATION

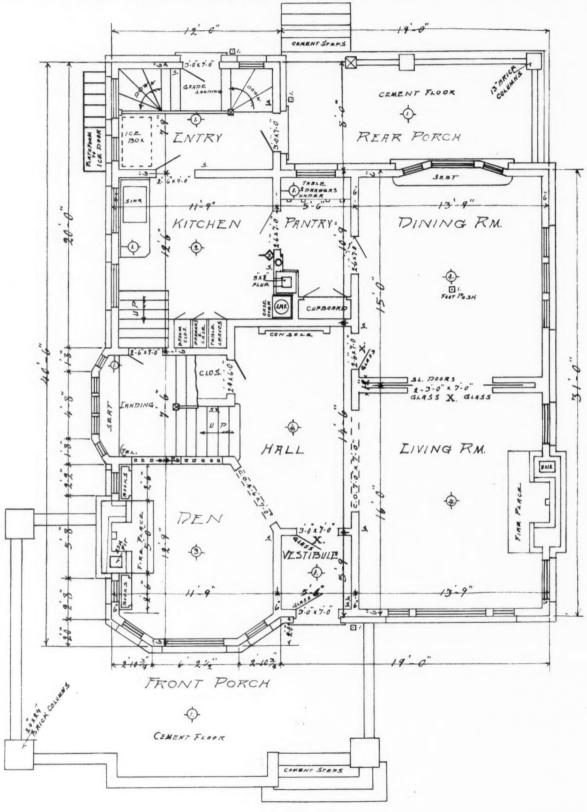


REAR ELEVATION

New Style of House Design

One of the most recent additions to American residence styles and one that is giving much popularity is residence architecture and home building in general.

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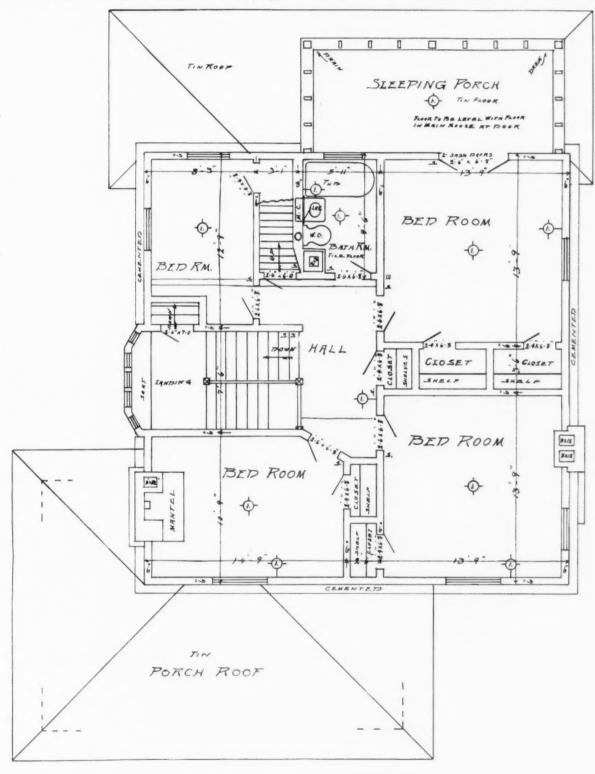


FIRST FLOOR PLAN

sent this unique type of dwelling as an innovation in tural explorers discovered its possibilities.

the chalet. While it is distinctly a novelty in the prescribed limits of that little republic ever since-United States, it would be wholly incorrect to repre- or, rather, until the recent date when Yankee architecThe chalet attains its artistic perfection by the most simple forms of architectural expression. The principal details of construction are emphasized to produce a decorative effect. The floor beams are usually appa-

mous; the chimneys are monumental, and the windows are conspicuous—nothing being in any sense hidden or masked. In other words all the decoration belongs to the building itself; is not added as an



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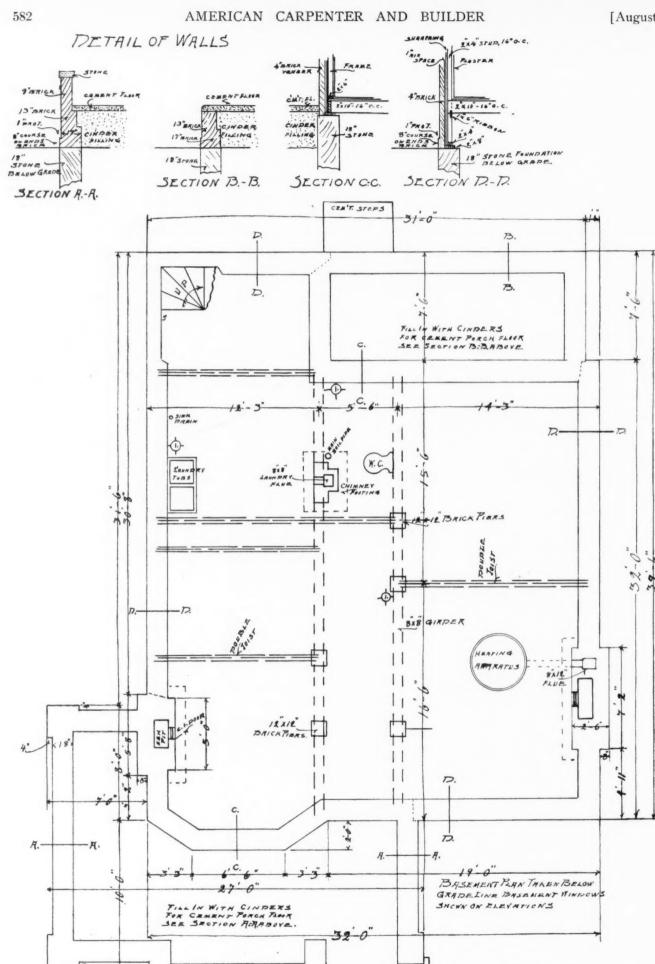
rent, and show the division of the building into stories, and this demarkation is often emphasized by a carved decoration.

Following the same novel architectural policy, the brackets that support the roof of the chalet are enor-

afterthought, so to speak.

The feature of the chalet which more than any other impresses a person beholding one of these houses for the first time is the distinctive and conspicuous design of the roof. The roof advances considerably on the

BASEMENT PLAN

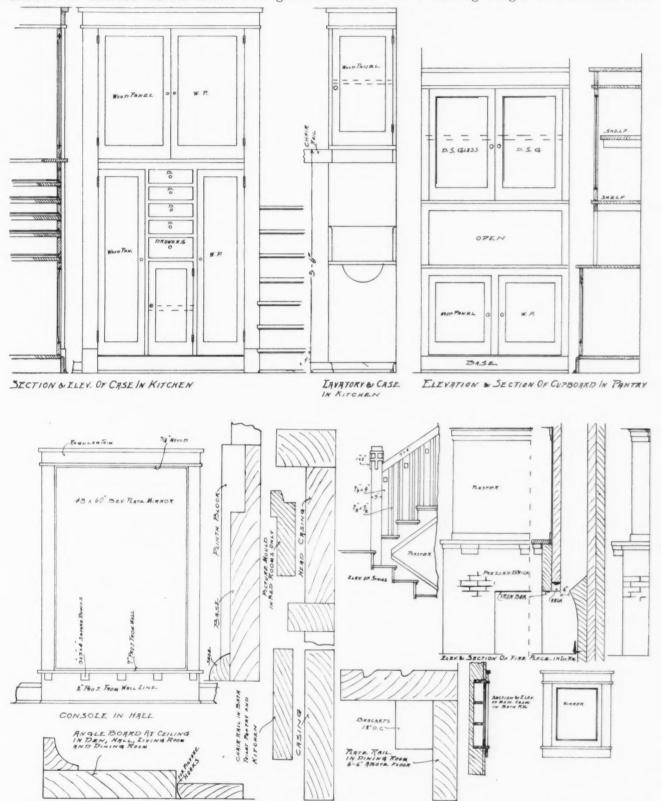


CAMBRT STEP

18" STONE FOUNDATION
BELOW GRADE

front-from 4 to 10 feet in most instances-and on the sides of the house it extends widely. The protection thus afforded induces balconies or galleries

Chalet roofs are of two different patterns, which markedly affect the whole appearance of the individual house. These differing designs of roofs have been



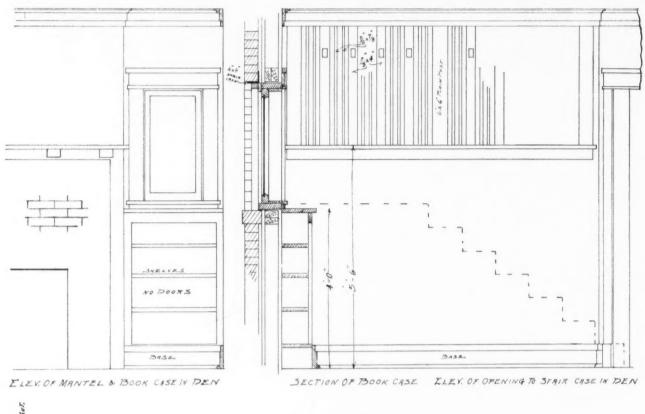
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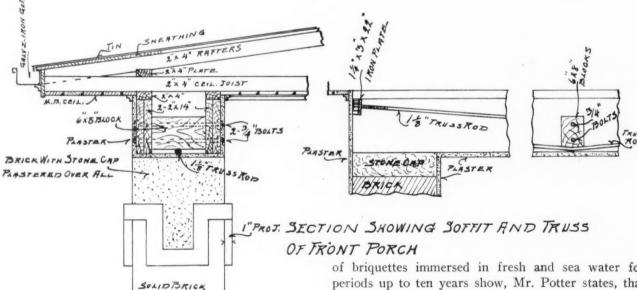
Switzerland the balconies are on the sides rather than on the front of the house, but in the Americanized version of the chalet the reverse is often true.

as the natural adjunct of this type of residence. In adopted indiscriminately in America, but in Switzerland, where they originated, they were adapted to different climates. The high, steep roof was the approved shelter for the chalet of the plains or valleys, its construction having been planned to allow water to run off rapidly.

In contrast to this is the mountain chalet, designed, originally, for a country where snow is of heavy and

recent issue of the *Journal of the Society of Chemical Industry*. It is made by grinding six parts by weight of calcined red brick clay with ten parts of Portland cement clinker, and is known as "red cement." Tests





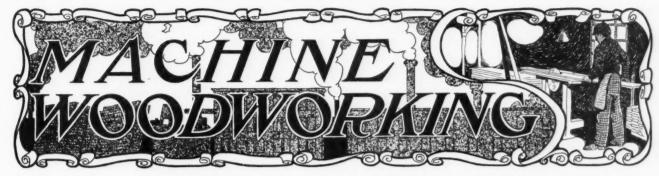
of frequent occurrence. This variety of chalet has a broad, low roof, so that the snow may accumulate on it and protect the house from the exceeding cold of the winter. Even in Switzerland, however, these two standard types have been varied infinitely.

A Cement to Resist Sea Water

A cement for resisting sea water was described in a

of briquettes immersed in fresh and sea water for periods up to ten years show, Mr. Potter states, that while Portland cement decreases in strength in sea water, red cement, on the other hand, increases in strength. Both red and Portland cement increase in strength in fresh water, the latter in the larger ratio. Over 5,000 tons of red cement have already been used in sea and fresh water, and the results are said by Mr. Potter to be satisfactory.

An Irishman who fished continuously for forty-nine years, is dead, but the stories he left will live after him, forever.



A Molder for the Small Shop

WILL IT PAY TO INSTALL A MOLDER IN YOUR SMALL WOODWORKING OR CONTRACTOR'S SHOP?— PRACTICAL CONSIDERATIONS INVOLVED

By W. D. Graves

HE molder, or sticker, is such a useful and allimportant machine to the planing mill man, and in our larger woodworking establishments, that the question is frequently up before their smaller brothers of the woodworking and contractor's shops to see if they, too, might not install this machine to good advantage, both to business and to pocketbook.

Now there are, of course, vital considerations on both sides; but let it be said right at the beginning that the molder is a machine which would prove profitable to comparatively few contractors or carpentershop men. True, the price of moldings, when compared with the price of lumber, indicates a pretty stiff price for ripping and sticking; but one must consider the cost of the machine, as well as that of the knives and of setting up. As one must have a complete set of knives for, practically, each pattern of molding, one must needs run quite a quantity of each such style before the knife cost becomes negligible; and it doesn't pay to set up for a pattern unless quite a quantity is run at one time. It takes a high-priced man an appreciable time, or a cheap man a long, long time to set up a machine for even the simplest molding.

The writer has often had builders ask him to run a short piece of some odd style of molding-styles for which there was no likelihood of further demandto be used in repair jobs; but they usually "fade away" when asked to pay a fair price for making special knives. It is usually much cheaper to work such a piece by hand than to make knives and set up the machine for it. If a man cannot be found who has the needful tools and ability, some makeshift had better be resorted to; or the whole of the old work renewed in some stock style. The making of special moldings, to architect's designs, does not usually pay any more than is due to the skill and time required for so doing—scant that, unless the quantity is large. The making of a good molder knife calls for no small degree of skill and time; besides the cost of the blanks.

One is apt to consider the edging pile a basis for the purchase of a molder; but he should beware of giving it too much weight. Edgings, and good edgings, too, have to accumulate very fast, indeed, in order to amount to much as food for a molder. The chances are that the strips are worth more for kindling, and that any attempt to make moldings of them would simply be a very expensive way of depreciating the value of good fuel. The stock for moldings must be of the best—for a slight defect in the strip is apt to be a mighty big one in the finished molding—and an attempt to work up defective stock, with a view to cutting out the defects, is sure to be expensive economy.

For those who have sufficient outlet for the product, however, there is perhaps no more profitable machine than a molder; but, as the machine represents quite an initial investment, and requires considerable power, one should be reasonably sure of that outlet before investing. When one gets a molder he is getting into machinery "as is machinery"; and it behooves him to "bally well know" what he is about, before he invests.

Even more than is the case with other machinery, one must be on his guard against getting a molder too light for the work. Weight and rigidity, even where their necessity may not be plainly apparent, are well worth while. In the molder we have several cutting members which, to use a printer's term, must "register," and any spring, jar or givé is practically sure to be detrimental to the work. I say several cutting parts, because it is assumed that no one will think of buying a machine to work less than four sides; unless for some special form of work. Also, one doesn't want any "old trap," "almost as good as new;" for, however delightful it may be to tinker one up and make it do good work, it doesn't pay. Some men can do pretty good work on very "bum" machines; but, as a general rule, they don't earn their salt while doing At the same time they are making themselves worse insurance risks than Indian fighters, and with no pension in prospect.

It is beyond the scope of this article—if not beyond the ability of the writer—to give even approximately adequate instructions in the use of a molder. The man who installs such a machine should figure on employing a *competent* man to run it, and on paying him the price of highly skilled labor. Such a man must not

only be well informed as to the practice of machine operation generally, but he must know how to lay out and grind knives. It would be well, too, that he should know how to temper them, and have a forge for that purpose; for "the village blacksmith" is unlikely to be good at tempering now-a-days.

Of course any man of mechanical bent can soon learn to set up a molder, and under average conditions it takes no very high order of skill to run it. On the other hand, to set up quickly and to run the machine with the greatest economy of time and material, under all conditions, requires as much talent and training as any trade, in the old time sense of that term.

A molder must have ample power in order to do at all pleasing work, and the manufacturer's statement of the power requirements of his machine may usually be doubled without any serious danger of getting too much. It is quite essential to the accomplishment of good work that the speed be high and constant. In order that it may be so, one must have sufficient power to drive dull knives through the toughest and most ill-prepared stock. It is not meant by this that one should run dull knives, nor be careless in the preparation of the stock, but that he should have reserve power enough to cover emergencies. He should, of course, make these emergencies as rare as possible.

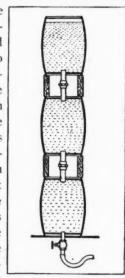
Good work can be expected only from sharp and well fitted knives, firmly and correctly set on a wellbalanced and close-running head. From the nature of the work the knives must often project quite a distance, causing a severe strain on them, and on the bolts which hold them. As a knife or nut hurled from a cylinder making several thousand revolutions per minute, is apt to cause acute irritation of any part of the human body in which it may find lodgment, it is the best of policy to keep them strictly confined to their proper places. In order that they may be so kept they must be of the best; and should be placed by a man of judgment and "know how." There is a certain subtle sense of touch, incapable of designation except by the terms "know how" or "feel" (and they would designate it only to the initiated) which warns one when a bolt is as tight as it may be without over strain. This sense one must have before he can safely operate a molder, for the bolts will be called upon to hold all that is possible for them. Also, one must know how to have the knives fit the face of the cylinder accurately and closely; for, if there is the slightest opening between them, the shavings will drive in sufficiently to break the strongest bolt that can be used. There is room for the exercise of a deal of judgment and skill in the setting of knives to the best advantage; judgment and skill attainable in a high degree only by considerable study and practice.

Volumes might be written, and have been written on the operation of molding machines, and the tyro should, by all means, read as many of these as may be before attempting to run one. If such reading is supplemented by lessons from a practical operator, so much the better. One may "pick up the trade," but that is sure to be an expensive way to acquire it. A molder, when one has the market for its product, is a valuable machine; but it is not one well calculated solely to work up odds and ends, or to occupy the spare moments of the hired man.

Fire Protection For Mill

A correspondent writing in the American Miller tells of a fire-fighting arrangement which could be used in many wood-working shops to very good advantage. A miller taking charge of a mill noticed piled up with the scrap in the basement an accumulation of fifteen or twenty oil barrels. These were in a

condition to invite a fire in the near future by spontaneous combustion. Permission was granted to make use of these barrels to reduce the fire hazard. All barrels were tested to make sure they would hold water and then three were placed one upon the other, putting two 4-inch blocks of wood between them, and connecting the barrels with 2-inch gas pipe, making a water-tight connection between the three barrels. A set of three barrels was placed in each corner of the upper story of the mill. A pipe with a valve and proper connections for a garden hose was fitted



Barrel Water Tower

in the bottom end of each lowest barrel. A hole was bored through the floor and a hose attached for use on the floor below. This gave ample pressure for protection from fire in its first stages, and is a long way ahead of pails and one barrel of water. Where a slight pressure can be brought to bear on an incipient fire, it soon can be brought under control.

Just in Time

A German shoemaker left the gas turned on in his shop one night, and upon arriving in the morning struck a match to light it. There was a terrific explosion, and the shoemaker was blown out through the door almost to the middle of the street.

A passerby rushed to his assistance and, after helping him to arise, inquired if he was injured.

The little German gazed in at his place of business, which was now burning quite briskly, and said:

"No, I aindt hurt. But I got out shust in time, eh?"

It takes a live fish to swim upstream. Any old lobster can float down.



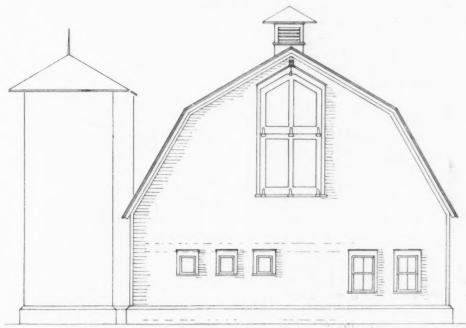
Small Dairy Barn

FULL DRAWINGS OF WELL-LAID-OUT DAIRY BARN OF SMALL SIZE SHOWING INTERIOR ARRANGEMENT AND SIZES OF THE DIFFERENT PARTS

PLANS for a very neat and serviceable dairy calves, etc. There is also good space for wagons, barn are shown herewith. It is a gambrel roof implements, feed, etc. There is a silo connected barn, 42 by 53 feet, giving stable room for with the cattle feed alley. Large hay storage space is provided.



West Elevation



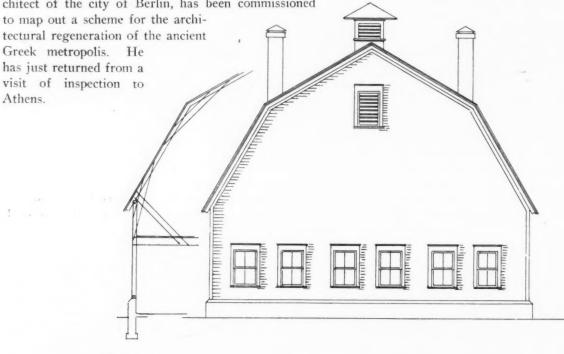
North Elevation

Athens.

Athens to Be Remodeled

Athens, historic capital of grace and beauty, is to be remade in Germany. Herr Ludwig Hoffman, architect of the city of Berlin, has been commissioned

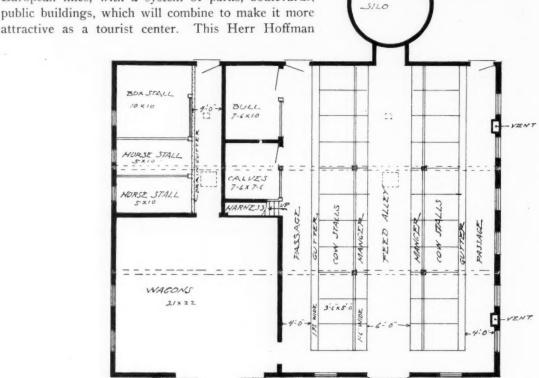
frowned was what he describes as a "bizarre, fantastic creation, designed to perpetuate Greek heroism"-a design for a monumental statue submitted by an Italian



SECTION

South Elevaton

The local authorities, with whom he conferred there, appear to desire to remodel their city upon modern European lines, with a system of parks, boulevards, public buildings, which will combine to make it more



Floor Plan-Exterior 42 by 53 Feet

hopes to accomplish, while still retaining the best examples of ancient classic architecture, of which Athens contains a multitude.

One of the projects upon which the Berlin builder of erecting it.

sculptor. Although the design has already received first prize from the Athens municipal council, Herr Hoffman hopes to induce them to abandon the idea



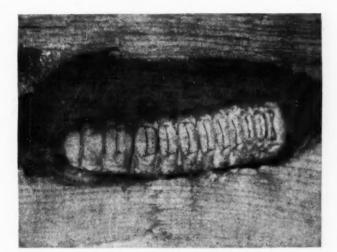
Rocky Mountain Timber Worm

To the Editor: Florence, Mont.

An item printed a short time ago, in regard to the ravages of worms in west coast timber, recalls a life size photo which I took of a similar, if not the same, worm, found in some dead timber in the Rocky mountains. This worm, to one not versed in entomology, looks the same as the smaller one which is common wherever pine grows; but it is as large as a man's finger.

Although I have not been able, as yet, to prove the connection, the bug which appears to be its probable progenitor to plaster the outside of his house, I would warn him against the use of wood lath. I had an out-building plastered that way and in less than two years had to do it over again as the cement became loose in places and in other spots I found the lath had rotted away. The lath we buy now is all sap and bark, and absorbs moisture like a sponge. I used expanded metal lath the last time and think I will have no further trouble as I heard of a job of that kind which is in good condition after being up for nine years. I used some lime on first coat, enough to make a paste.

G. W. EDGERLING.



A Smallish One

and ultimation is a nocturnal one, in evidence in the early summer months. It is nearly as large as a small batnearly as long, but much more slender-and has a couple of antennae like small darning needles built into the upper part of its head. It looks as though it might be a cross, in miniature, between a bat and a Texas steer. They are often quite plentiful in the pine woods of a June night, and fly about as if with no object but to butt against something; like an animated and sportive rubber ball. One wakened, for the first time, by their striking against his tent, and seeing their moon-cast shadows on the canvas, might easily be pardoned for pulling his head under the blankets.

I once enclosed one in a stout mailing case and directed it to a friend in the east. My friend notified me that he got the case, empty, with a large hole gnawed in it. At about the same time a news item stated that a mail clerk, running into Boston, had suddenly died of heart failure. I hope that there was no connection between the two incidents; but, if that bug appeared to that young man on the morning after a convivial evening, I'm afraid that I was indirectly responsible for his death. The bug is harmless, except to dead pine timber; but an unexpected first view of it might well be debili-W. D. GRAVES. tating.

Wood vs. Metal Lath

To the Editor: Henderson, Ky. Noticing the inquiry of W. H. Benson about the best way

Framing for Cement Roof

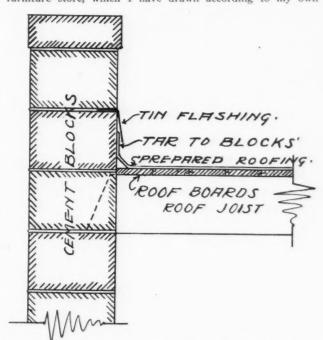
To the Editor:

I wish a little advice if you please; I am going to build a building 32 by 60 feet, 24 feet high, out of concrete blocks; would like to put concrete on same if it can be done. Will 2 by 12, set 16 inches centers, 16 feet long, well bridged, carry a 31/2-inch concrete roof with 1/4-inch fall to the foot? Any information will be appreciated. S. W. BAXTER.

Answer: Rafters 2 by 10 inches set 16 inches on centers and 16 feet long, if well bridged, will be strong enough to carry a 31/2-inch concrete roof. We would think, however, that a roof 21/2 inches thick would be sufficient.

Prepared Roofing and Blocks

To the Editor: Hickman, Neb. Find enclosed plan of the front of Geo. Broekema's new furniture store, which I have drawn according to my own



ideas. It was to be a wooden structure, 48 by 70 with 16-foot ceiling; but now it will be a cement block building. The roof is to be nearly flat, covered with a prepared roofing.

How would you properly construct the part of the walls which extend above the roofing to keep it from leaking?

J. E. Offer

Answer: The roof should be flashed at the fire wall with tin flashing as per the enclosed drawing. Editor.

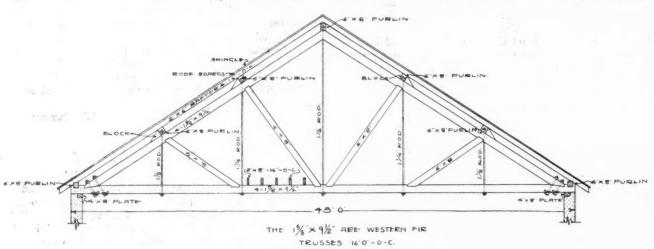
Proper Truss Construction

To the Editor: Breckenridge, Minn.

I am sending you a rough sketch of a roof truss; I beg of you to let me know if the timbers are strong enough for this size span to carry the ceiling and a shingle roof.

JACOR REDLINGER.

apprentice. He sent the boy to the shop to make a straight edge. The boy not getting back as soon as the man, or boss, expected, he went to the shop to see what was the trouble. The boy was working at the straight edge; but a few steps away was a young lady sitting on the front steps. In sighting along the edge of the board he would see the young woman. So he said to the boss, that he could not get the board straight. So the boss took hold of the plane, and sighting along the board he saw the young lady. Realizing the difficulty the boy had encountered he said to the boy, "You straighten that board if it takes all day!" then went back to his work and left the boy to straighten the board. So I will say to Mr. Taylor, in order to be a skilled workman



Answer: The timbers of your truss seem to be sufficiently strong, but we have made a change in the size of the rods and have used a different method of setting the purlins from that shown in your sketch. The attached is a sketch of the truss as it should be constructed.

Editor.

For Square Planing

To the Editor:

Canyon City, Ore.

I have been a subscriber to the American Carpenter and

is the best magazine published of its kind.

Would like to tell C. H. Taylor in July number, how I plane the edges of boards to make them square with the sides. I make a gauge, like this sketch, out of inch lumber and about 8 inches long. After nailing the I½-inch strip on top I square it up with the plane and trysquare. By holding this under your jointer you will get good results and also save lots of time.

M. Dexter.

M. DE

BUILDER for several years and think it

Good Advice

To the Editor:

Waynesburg, Pa.

In reply to Clarence H. Taylor, who wants to know how to plane the edge of a board square; the first thing to do is to place the board firmly on work bench and then with mind and eye fixed on the board, before you (your attention must be on what you are doing) use a try-square to help. Put your plane in good order; it must not be out of order or you can not joint true. In case you fail the first trial try again until you are sure you are right.

This reminds me of a story of a man who had a boy

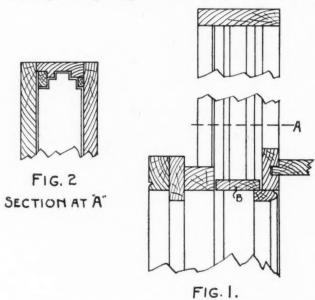
requires study, thought, neatness, energy, promptness.

ROBERT I. MILLIKIN.

Arrangement for Jib Head Frames

To the Editor: Allentown, Pa.

In answer to A. H. Baird, I send the following sketches, showing section through head of window frame for a brick wall, with box head for lower sash to slide up. The slide B will be pushed up along with sash to top of box. When



sash is lowered, the slide will come along down until it rests on bottom of plow, flush with bottom of head jamb, as shown.

I trust this will answer his question without further explanation, as the sketches are given through head jamb and box above.

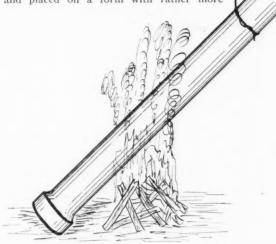
F. J. Case.

Bending Canoe Ribs

To the Editor: Fredrickton, N. B.

In reply to the request of M. Lind in the July number for a simple steam box for bending canoe ribs, etc., I beg to submit another method which I have used for many years with complete success.

A 6-foot length of cast iron pipe is plugged with clay at one end and suspended over a fire, as shown in the sketch; the plugged end being below the fire. The pipe is filled with water and the pieces to be bent are placed in the pipe and boiled until soft and pliable. They are then removed and placed on a form with rather more



curve than is required for the rib when finally in its place in the canoe or boat.

This device has been used by pupils of our manual training schools for some years past and no difficulty has been experienced with the work.

T. B. Kidner.

Good Planing Form

To the Editor: Sardis, Miss.

Please permit me to answer the inquiry of Clarence H. Taylor relative to squaring lumber with a hand plane.

First of all, my boy, is to know that your plan is in proper shape. I mean by that it must be straight and out of wind, and the cutter or bit, commonly called, must be nearly straight on cutting edge, just a shade rounding.

Now you have your plane in proper working order, let us proceed to use it right. Set your plane on the board to be squared, at front end. Be sure that your plane is parallel to the board; and with stroke of the plane move backward until the end is reached. Stand just close enough to your work so that when the center of your plane is centered with the board your elbow is just close to hip, not close enough to rub. Do not allow the heel of your plane to get off back side of board. Keep your plane at all times parallel with your mark and you will soon see how easy it is to make a straight edge.

J. W. Burns.

Steel Square Rafter Scales

To the Editor: Weldon, Iowa.

I here ask you to furnish me instructions telling how to use the rafter scale that is now given on the steel squares. I have not been able to find instructions how to use them yet; also the jack rafters.

John Fairall.

Answer: There has been probably a score of patents taken out for rafter tables stamped on the steel square, but so far, only two are prominently before the building public. One of these is manufactured by Sargent & Co., 1149 Leonard street,

New York, and the other by the Nichols Manufacturing Company, of Ottumwa, Iowa. These parties publish instructions for the use of their squares, and no doubt will gladly mail a copy to those desiring them. Drop them a postal with your request.

Valuable Interest Formula

To the Editor: Pueblo, Colo.

Noting that many of your problem fiends are interested in mathematics I submit a formula which I have just derived, partly because I knew it would be very convenient for use and partly because I wished to see if I could do it. I would like to submit it to your readers asking if they know of a simpler one or whether they find any error in mine:

AN INTEREST FORMULA.

For finding the *total* to which any number of regular installments of \$1.00 each, drawing *any* rate of compound interest, compounded *any* number of times per year, will amount—

Let R equal interest on \$1.00 for one year.

Let N equal number of years during which payments are continued.

Let X equal number of payments between each compounding time.

Let Z equal number of compoundings per year.

Let T equal amount at the end of N years.

$$T_{N} = \frac{1}{|X+R|} {(X+1) \frac{X}{XZ}} \left| \frac{\left(1+\frac{R}{Z}\right)^{ZN} - 1}{\frac{R}{Z}\left(1+\frac{R}{Z}\right)} \frac{(1+\frac{R}{Z})^{ZN} - 1}{1+\frac{R}{Z}} \right|$$

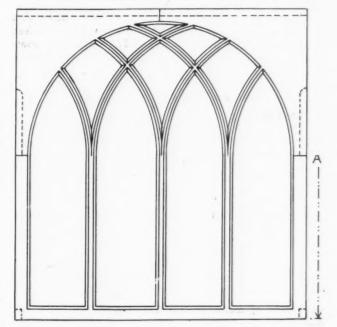
Note.—Use logarithms for calculating the ZN powers. The formula assumes installments to be \$1.00. Should they be otherwise multiply the result by the number of dollars in each installment.

Leroy G. Gates.

How to Cut Up a Sash

To the Editor: Chicago, Ill.

I have seen in your magazine a method of how to cut up a



sash, and make same square out and half-circle in, and will say it is a very good method. The method I use is, I think, a much easier one; it is as follows:

I run the lower part below "A" the regular way, as a common sash, only leave the tenons longer. The square head is made of two pieces, as per sketch, mortised out on the shaper, the curved bars shaped and run on the shaper, but not the uprights. The uprights I have on stock, left from some bars I ran over when making sash bars (by the method previously described one would have to lay out the full length of the bars). Then these curved bars I nail on the top of these upright bars. The square head I mortise and tenon on the lower part of the sash, as per sketch. This also makes a good sash, and as far as the flasting is concerned, will last as long as sash made by any method. I never had any of my sash come back. Of course, for a large size sash with large lights, another method should be used, but for lights six or eight inches in width, the above method is sufficiently strong, as the glass stiffens the bars also.

Hope some other of your readers will give a method of how they make their cut-up sash.

JOSEPH P. BATTES.

A Trick With a Hole in It

To the Editor: Woodhaven, N. Y.

Kindly allow me to agree with J. P. Wells's opinion of N. N. Signed's "sticker," as he gives it in the July number; and I hope that N. N. Signed will not buy gold bricks from A. Helander, if Helander sells 65 square inches cut from an 8 by 8 inch piece, nor would I care to be in the same boat with Helander if he patches 65 square inches with 64 square inches—if it is more than swimming distance from shore.

I first saw this same "sticker" some ten years ago, when after a while I had occasion to pay for my folly. Let me advise Helander to cut this trick out of paper, and if he takes care of his angles he will see where he loses.

Thanks, Mr. Editor. A Subscriber.

How Much Will They Do?

To the Editor: Farmington, Mo.

Will you kindly answer the following question and thereby place a charter member under renewed appreciations of your kindly advice?

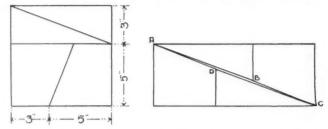
About how many yards of concrete would make an average days work for two men of eight hours each; the material to be elevated to a height of about ten feet to begin with (up on a concrete wall) and built to a height of twelve feet, or at total height of twenty-two feet? The mixing and elevating are to be by hand.

W. D. McBryde.

Three Problems Solved

To the Editor: Portland, Me.

I will submit my solution of a few of the problems in the June number. Mr. N. N. Signed's ship carpenter must have used a liberal amount of oakum and pitch in making his joints, for a piece of plank 8 inches square will not fill a



space 5 by 13 inches, even if there is no waste from the saw cut.

The diagrams show how it is apparently made to fill the space.

It leaves a narrow opening in the shape of a parallelogram,

A, B, C, D, with a base of 8.544 inches and altitude 0.117 inch.

In regard to the problem of the conical glass, I will give an outline of my solution. When the 4-inch ball is placed in the glass the water rises to such a height that the contents of glass at given height minus the contents of segment of ball below given height equal one-fifth of contents of glass. One-fifth contents of glass equals 7.854 cubic inches. The lower side of ball is 3.2 inches from bottom glass. If we let x equal depth to which ball is submerged

.7854
$$\left(\frac{5}{6}(3.2+x)\right)^2 \left(\frac{3.2+x}{3}\right)$$
 equals contents of glass at given height.

$$\sqrt{2^2-(2-x)^2}$$
 equals radius of segment at given height.

The contents of a segment of a sphere with one base equals surface of base multiplied by one-half the height of the segment plus the contents of a sphere whose diameter is equal to the height of the segment.

We have the equation:

.7854
$$\left(\frac{5}{6}(3.2+x)\right)^2\left(\frac{3.2+x}{3}\right)$$
— $\left(.7854\left(16-4(2-x)^2\right)\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$
+.5236 x^3)=7.854.

This equation reduced gives x equals .54596, the depth to which the ball is submerged.

Mr. J. E. Mitchell inquires if the length of a veneer for the frustrum of a cone can be found by mathematical calculations, when the two diameters and altitude are given. I will submit the following method. Diameter of base multiplied by altitude and product divided by difference of the two diameters gives radius of developing circle.

$$(28x16) \div (28-18) = 44.8.$$

Radius of developing circle is to the radius of base as 360 degrees is to number of degrees in segment. (44.8:14:: 360:112.5). Twice the sine of one-half the angle of the segment gives the length of the chord, equals 74.4986 inches.

CHAS. S. TIBBETTS.

To Put Screen Wire on Doors

To the Editor: West Ellis, Wis.

I saw an item in the May number, how to put screen wire on a door. I think I can improve on that method some. Take two trestles and set them far enough apart so the ends of the door frame will lie on them nicely; then cut two sticks one-half inch longer than the distance from the ceiling of the shop to the top side of the door frame. Put one on each side of the frame, springing it down half an inch. Now take the loose end of your screen and fasten permanently to one end of door frame; then roll off the length of the door and fasten other end permanently. Take out the sticks at sides of frame and it will spring back into place and the screen will be stretched perfectly. Same method will work on window screens.

C. T. PLUCKHAHN.

Length of Chord

To the Editor: Hastings, Minn.

In reading your June number I find in your correspondence column a request from Mr. J. E. Mitchell for a mathematical calculator to find the length of chord of a segment when the two diameters and altitude are known. The length of chord desired in this case is a mean proportional between the two diameters indicated on the drawing, multiplied by 3.1416. Applying the following formula 2' 4"+7' 6" x3.1416=72.26" length of chord desired.

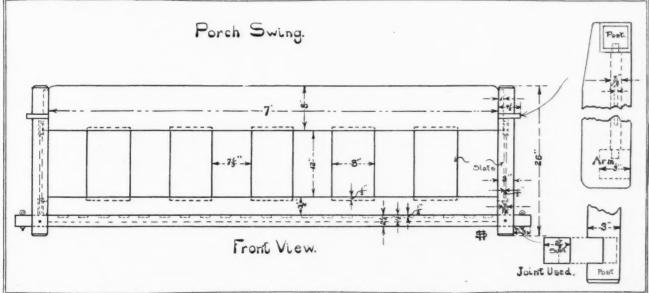
F. F. ENGLES.

How to Make a Porch Swing

Oak Park, Ill. To the Editor:

I am sending you sketches showing how I have made a porch swing; it is very similar in construction and design to the one described in the American Carpenter and Builder of July, 1908. It is a very useful piece of furniture and should find a place in every home. It was not expensive, made in

posts have a quarter-inch bevel, while only the bottom of the front ones have a bevel, as the arms rest upon it. Next I fashioned the four pieces three and one-half inches wide, seven-eighths of an inch thick and twenty inches long, used to connect the front and rear posts. They are tenoned into each post one inch deep; the lower ones are five inches from the bottom and the upper ones coming even with the top of the front posts. Into these cross pieces is tenoned a slat



my own work shop at home; and when once completed is well worth the trouble of its construction. The wood used

2 pieces—3 inches wide by 3 inches thick by 26 inches long 2 pieces-3 inches wide by 3 inches thick by 20 inches long

4 pieces-31/2 inches wide by 7/8 inch thick by 20 inches long

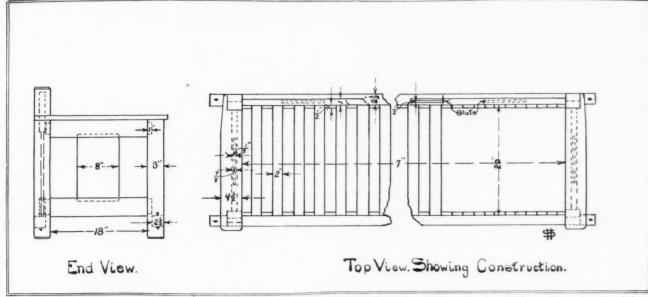
2 pieces-4½ inches wide by 1/8 inch thick by 25 inches long

22 pieces—2 inches wide by ½ inch thick by 20 inches long 7 pieces—8 inches wide by ½ inch thick by 13 inches long 2 pieces-21/2 inches wide by 21/2 inches thick by 8 feet long

I piece -8 inches wide by I inch thick by 7 feet 2 inches long I piece $-3\frac{1}{2}$ inches wide, $\frac{7}{8}$ inch thick by 7 feet 2 inches long 2 pieces-11/2 inches wide by 3/4 inch thick by 7 feet long eight inches wide and one-half inch thick and one-half inch

Next I made the piece which is used as the back rest. This piece is tenoned into the two back posts one inch deep and to its lower side has seven mortises one-half inch deep into which the slats are tenoned. The other piece which makes the rest of the back is also tenoned into the two rear posts one inch deep and five inches from the bottom, and in its upper side has seven mortises, seven and one-third inches apart, eight inches long, one-half inch wide, and one-half inch deep, into which the slats fit.

The two pieces two and one-half inches wide, two and onehalf inches thick and eight feet long were used for the sup-



In constructing this swing, the first step was to square up the four posts; these being three inches square, the two rear ones being six inches longer than the two front ones. which were twenty inches long. Both ends of the two rear

ports. The two ends were fastened to these by the joint shown in the cut. Three inches project at each end, to which the chains are attached, by which the swing is screwed to the back posts.

The cushion was not made of leather for that is very expensive, but of heavy canvas stuffed with hair.

STANLEY B. FURBECK.

From Arizona

To the Editor: San Carlos, Ariz.

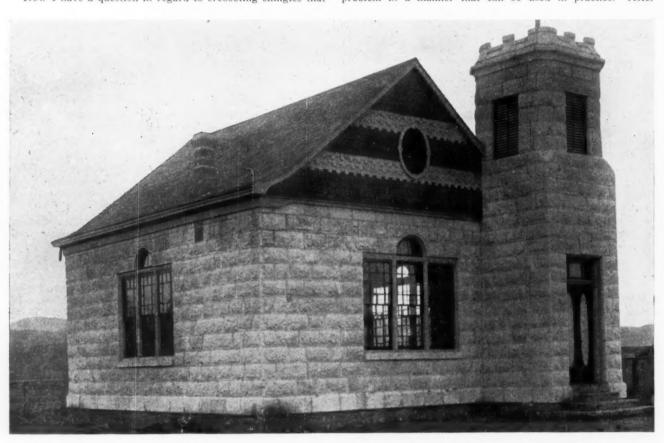
This church, the first church to be built by the government at the San Carlos Agency, I put up with only Indian help. I cut the stone, laid them; did the cement work, including chimney of cement; did the plastering, painting and decorating; set the glass; and what is more, worked out all the sash, doors, molding, etc., by hand. Did everything with only Indian (Apaché) help.

Now I have a question in regard to creosoting shingles that

PENTER AND BUILDER I noticed the heading, "The Sticker Solved," being a solution by L. A. Peterson, C. E. Bidler, H. Halverson, Ira S. Griffith and a host of others, of the rafter problem submitted by R. L. Ricks. Even the Editor seemed to feel good over the fact that the sticker was not as sticky as Mr. Ricks thought.

I did not notice Mr. Rick's request for the solution of this problem and do not know whether his object in so doing was purely for information or not, but I assume it was. If so, to me the solution fails to solve; the information given fails to inform.

I believe it would not only be a benefit to Mr. Ricks, but to many others to give a simple, practical solution of his problem in a manner that can be used in practice. After



I would like to submit to the readers of the AMERICAN CARPENTER AND BUILDER. What I want to know is the best method of dipping shingles before putting on, as putting them on a roof in the raw and painting after they are laid only coats the outside. Here in Arizona, where we have plenty of sunshine (hot) and dashing showers it wets in under them. The hot sun comes out and draws the shingles crooked. So I want to know the best way to dip them and dry them before laying. I want the most expeditious and cheapest way. Would two-thirds of the butt end be deep enough to dip them?

J. R. Kemp.

He Doesn't Like the Formulas

To the Editor: Fort Smith, Ark.

I am not a regular subscriber to the American Carpenter and Builder, but I generally secure a copy of it every month at the newsdealer's. I often get valuable information from it, but I am sorry to say there seems to be a tendency on the part of some of the correspondents to hide what otherwise would be valuable information behind formulas of higher mathematics, thereby obscuring the very information they have sought to give.

In looking over the March number of the AMERICAN CAR-

carefully reading the solution of the problem by the above named gentlemen, I say, "Yes, very good. But how do you do it?"

I have sympathy for any brother who seeks information; I believe they should receive it in a manner that can be applied directly to the work. As I take it, it is not merely the knowledge of the length of the rafter in question that Mr. Ricks wants, but the knowledge of the principle involved, so that he can use it when and where necessary. He may have another shed roof to put on sometime, it might have a run of 10 feet instead of 8 feet, and might possibly have a different pitch from the one in question; so he would be stuck again, and again have to come back for information. So, Mr. Editor, with your permission I will endeavor to give a plain, practical method of solving this problem that will cover all conditions of this class of work.

Yes, I have sympathy with every brother who feels the need of information; I have been all along that line myself. About thirty-five years ago I left my father's house on the Iowa prairie, about twelve miles east of Mr. Peterman's town, and went to Casey, to learn the carpenter's trade. I have been up against it ever since in many states and many cities. My career has been a flat failure from a financial point of view; yet I am not sorry, because I have picked up

many a crumb of experience and information. In all these years, whenever I was up against a problem pertaining to the practical solution of work that I did not understand, I have made it my business to learn it. I take pleasure in doing and knowing how to do good work. Yet I often feel myself in need of more practical information, a feeling of the need of someone to O. K., or of a system by which I could compare and verify my own calculations.

It was this need that only recently prompted me to invest a good sum of money in a set of books, hoping by their assistance to more thoroughly understand and more surely design and construct and calculate the strength of reinforced concrete columns, beams and floors. But alas, the information sought, and perhaps contained in the volumes, is covered and completely hidden under formulas of algebra and trigonometry. The books still leave me standing alone with only my past experience, and my old hard head to figure out these great problems!

Why is it that those who know how to do things won't or can't impart the information in a manner that will inform? Why can't they give it in plain arithmetic and everyday practice, instead of giving it in a way that only a student of the higher mathematics can understand? And if they do understand the formulas, they seldom have the ability to make a practical application of them. The idea of shooting a man full of higher mathematical formulas when he has asked for plain, practical information! Has not the thought ever occurred to any of you that if a man understood enough mathematics to make anything out of your formulas, he would not have had to ask for such information in the first place, being able to figure it out for himself?

I am not saying anything against mathematics. I believe the more one knows of mathematics the better. I often feel the need of more, but the workman that expects to earn his wages through his ability to figure out the length of rafters or braces or any other thing that goes to make up a job, will utterly fail to do it. I have seen a few so-called workmen that would spend a lot of time covering the best finishing lumber on a job with a lot of figures that had to be cleaned off again. They could figure out the length but they could not do the work.

man needs, but plain information that will enable him to

This method of rafter framing is too well known to need explanation. This brings you to point B, 16 inches directly above point C, which is the toe of the main roof rafter, having a pitch of 8 inches to the foot.

Now, we have just come to the problem, how are we going to know how much longer the shed rafter has to be from point B to intersect with the main rafter at point D? It is this way. Take the distance the two rafters are apart at points B and C, this case 16 inches; divide this distance by the difference in pitch of the shed and main roof, in this case 2 inches pitch and 8 inches pitch; difference, 6 inches. Sixteen divided by 6 equals 2 2/3, which simply means we have 2 feet and 8 inches run, farther to go from point B. So proceed to measure off 2 2/3 laps of the square as before using 12 and 2, from point B to point D, which is the spot you have been looking for, the point of intersection. Now if it is desired to seat head of shed rafters on top of main rafters, hold square in position, and scribe across timber against blade of square. This gives level line. Take pitch of main roof, 12 on tongue, 8 on blade; bring figures to level line, so tongue will cut point of intersection, scribe across against tongue at point of intersection; cut it. The job is done in half the time any man can tell about it. If it is desired to locate point of intersection on main roof, just measure off 2 2/3 laps, 12 and 8 (the main roof pitch), from point C on main rafter, and you have the spot again. This rule holds good for any pitch. All that is necessary to do is to think, to think with your head, and use your square.

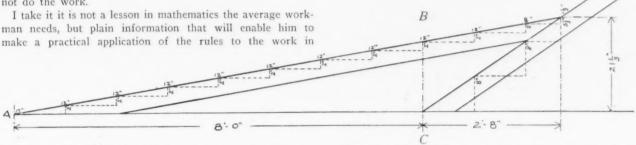
JOHN STILLIANS.

Handspike Problem Solved

To the Editor:

Hanford, Cal.

Please state that the two men with handspike at one end of timber 30 feet long should be 71/2 feet from the end in order to carry their portion of the timber, a third man carrying his share at the other end.



hand, so that he can take his square and lay his work off directly on the timber. He wants a practical rule of do it, and be done with it.

If I understand it, Mr. Ricks wants to know how to correctly lay off a rafter for a shed, having a span of 8 feet and a pitch of 2 inches to the foot, and intersecting with a main roof having a pitch of 8 inches to the foot, both plates same level.

Here is a method that is easily understood and is reliable: First, select a straight stick of timber from the stock you intend to use for rafter. Put it on your saw benches; now take your square and begin at the toe of the rafter (point A of the diagram; now, as the pitch of the roof is 2 inches to the foot, place 12 on the blade at point A and bring figure 2 on the tongue even with the edge of the stick. Hold square in position and scribe across timber against blade, from point A. This gives you the foot cut of the rafter. Now as the shed is 8 feet wide, proceed to carefully measure off along the edge of the stick 8 laps of the square in position you now have it, 12 to 2.

The principle of the "steelyards," universally established, serves this problem.

Let us suppose the three men equal in weight and the timber balanced on a pivot in the center and the query to have been where shall the two men suspended at the end of a handspike across the timber, be placed to balance the one man suspended at the other end? All will readily say, suspend the two men at a point from the center, which multiplied by two produces the same result as one multiplied by 15, which is 71/2.

While the men are placed at this point, with the timber yet balanced, change the condition so as to have all three of the men to pull upward instead of downward, and the principle of the "steel yards" applies, which distributes the weights so that respective weight on one end multiplied by the distance it is from center equals the weight on other side of the center multiplied by its distance from center.

This is true whether the factors are pulling down, or the factors are pulling upward.

I assume the responsibility of rightly deciding this matter. C. W. TALBOT.

Silo Construction

To the Editor:

Paulding, Ohio.

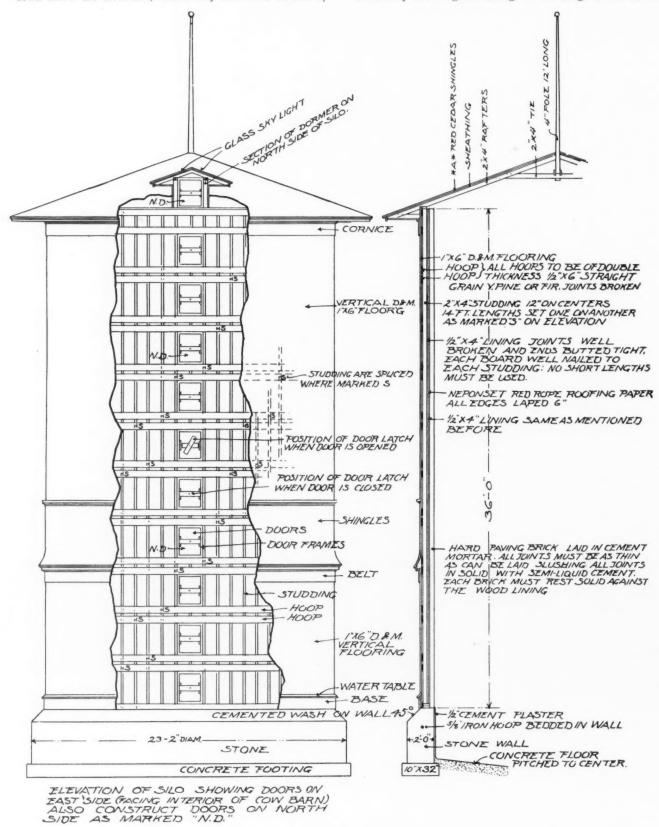
I wish you would kindly instruct me how to build a silo and what kind of material to use. Frank Hart.

Answer: The drawing shows the construction of a silo, built of concrete, wood and brick so as to unite strength, durability and an artistic outline. The foundation walls are constructed out of concrete 2 feet in thickness and running down below the frost line, where they rest on a 10-inch by

32-inch concrete footing course to avoid settling. This concrete work is composed of one part Portland cement, three parts sand and four parts crushed stone, and is reinforced with a 5%-inch iron hoop to prevent the walls from spreading. There are anchor bolts bedded in the concrete by which the wooden sill is bolted solid onto the concrete foundation.

The area inside the foundation is excavated down to the footing course in order to increase the capacity, and has a concrete floor slightly pitched to the center.

Frost may not do great damage to the silage as far as its



food qualities are concerned, but if frozen into a solid mass it is very difficult to handle and should therefore be to some extent protected against severe frost. Hence wood construction with dead air spaces between the studding and heavy building paper between the sheathing has been selected as the most practical construction.

Silage is very heavy and creates a great pressure against the walls, similar to water in a tank, and to prevent this pressure from bulging out the walls silos are usually built in the shape of a cylinder. To properly preserve the silage it is necessary to exclude the air, hence the walls must be perfectly air tight. Where an extra good job is wanted the inside surface has been veneered with vitreous paving brick, which do not absorb moisture and are proof against the action of acid. These bricks are laid tight against the sheathing surface so that the pressure cannot change their position and laid in a thin bed of cement mortar, not exposing any more mortar to the surface than is necessary to properly bond the brick together.

The exterior surface is composed of dressed and matched narrow flooring set vertically to the outer hoops. About 10 feet above the ground there is a singled belt for exterior effect. The roof is of shingles and has a wide projecting cornice.

A Heavy Timber Barn

To the Editor: Grove City, Minn.

I hereby send you a picture of a full frame barn which I would like you to give a space in your valuable paper. It is

raised, and is fitted with a pulley in the top, for a rope to run through, and is a very handy thing to take up the purlin plates. When done, we just loosen the bolts and take them off. If there are any of the readers of the American Carpenter and Builder that would like to get a sketch of them I will be glad to give it. This barn was framed by one man and myself in five days and a half.

O. P. Barrows.

Cement Roofs

To the Editor: Pincher Creek, Alta.

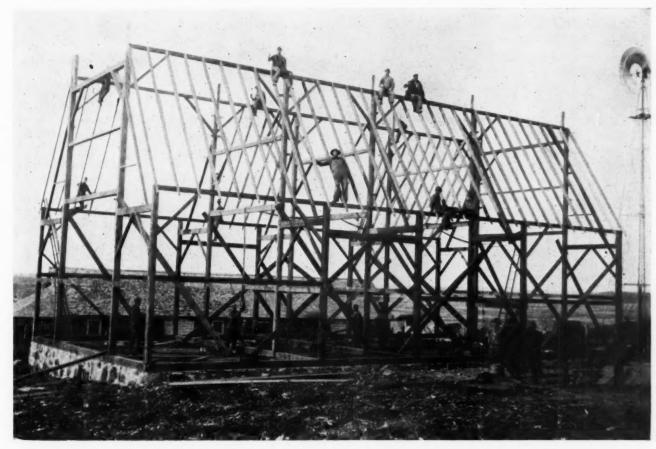
In using prepared roofing, would there be any advantage in applying sand and gravel with Portland cement instead of tar?

If this is not practicable, will you kindly advise me of the lightest concrete roof which one can apply, and also state the method used?

The "pioneer" in concrete work in his district cannot afford to experiment, for the slightest lapse on his part is at once attributed to the material, the method and experimenter get off scot free; the reason is obvious, the last two are "small game"; the critics—generally building contractors—are "laying for" cement, and welcome any such opportunity.

"Interrogation Point."

Answer: The prepared roofings, as they are now generally made, contain certain amounts of tar, natural pitch and similar substances For this reason tar is used to best advantage in laying these roofings for cementing the seams and making them water-tight. A wash of Portland cement and sand might be used satisfactorily in this way, although it would



a structure 36 by 64 feet long and is framed out of 6 by 8 inch timbers with 30-foot purlin posts. You will notice that there are quite a few temporary braces in it. It was my intention to take them out before the picture was taken; but it was such a bad wind the day we raised it that we had to keep them on. You will see that on top of the purlin post there is a 4-foot post that is bolted right on the posts before it is

not be as good and durable as the hot tar dressing.

If a concrete or cement roof is wanted there are three or more kinds which you can safely use; first, reinforced concrete slabs; second, 2½-inch cement coat similar to a cement walk composition laid down on matched wooden roof boards, supported by ordinary rafters and framing; third, an ordinary cement shingle or cement tile roof.

Editor.

RACTICAL TRADE APPLIANCES

Monel Metal Sheets

We take pleasure in calling the attention of our readers to a booklet recently issued by the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company descriptive of their new product "Monel Metal" and telling of a few of the great variety of uses to which it is adapted. This booklet also contains tables showing the physical properties of this metal, together with some very interesting and convincing tests. Additional information and data will be furnished gladly upon application and the company will also be glad to submit samples in any of the various gauges for your inspection or tests.

Monel metal is a new product which means much to the sheet metal worker, the roofer and the manufacturer, because of its great range of adaptability and large field of usefulness.

It is a natural alloy in guaranteed proportions of 68 to 72 per cent nickel, 11/2 per cent iron and the balance copper. In smelting and refining the ore the nickel and copper are not extracted or separated, and, therefore, are found in the finished product in the same relative proportions. This gives us a metal that is tough and strong. It is ductile, flexible, easily worked, and can be drawn, spun, seamed or polished. It can be formed up into suitable shapes and bent into such locks as go, for instance, with the standing seam roofing.

Monel metal can be soldered readily with a killed acid, and can be brazed with ordinary brazing solder. A test of this kind showed that a 1/2-inch section of No. 26 gauge, with a brazed joint, had a tensile strength of 1,700 pounds, or about 60,000 pounds to the square inch. It is an non-erosive and non-corrosive as pure nickel, which makes it invaluable as a roofing or any place where non-corrosive qualities are of vital importance.

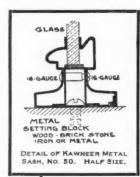
This metal has the important property, particularly as compared with copper, of showing relatively smaller expansion and contraction changes. Another valuable feature of this metal is that it has a tensile strength approximately three times as great as copper. It is less expensive than nickel or German silver, since, in the former, the expense is largely in the difficulty of isolating it, and in the latter we have a manufactured instead of a natural alloy.

Monel metal sheets are used for roofing to supplant copper, and, owing to their great strength and non-corrosive qualities, a much lighter sheet can be used and greater efficiency and service obtained at a lower initial cost. Undoubtedly, they are the very best material that can be used for this purpose. They are used for cornices, gutters, metal window

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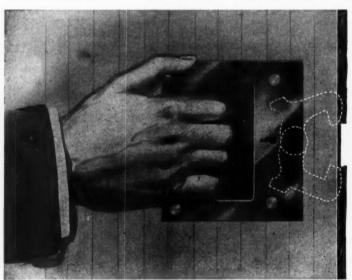
This product is also adaptable for automobile parts, gaskets, smoke jacks, range boilers, laundry machinery, tanks, kettles, refrigerator work and vessel sheathing, where non-corrosive qualities are important as well as the toughness of the material to resist impact; for innumerable stamping and forming purposes,—kitchen utensils, toilet articles, bathroom fixtures and products such as are made with a brass base and nickel plated.

Monel metal sheets are manufactured exclusively by the American Sheet and Tin Plate Company, and are furnished in sizes up to 36 by 96, and in all gauges. The fact that these sheets are rolled in the famous Vandergrift works, the largest sheet mill in the world, is a sufficient guarantee of their exactness and uniformity. While Monel metal sheets are practically a new product, they have opened a wide field to every user of sheet metal. For progressive metal workers, stamping concerns and manufacturers, their range of usefulness is practically unlimited.

No-Break Sliding Door Lock

The Richards Manufacturing Company, Aurora, Ill., have recently put on the market a sliding door lock which is regarded as an article of unusual merit. It is called the "Nobreak" lock. It is simple, durable, positive and secure. It marks a decided advance in the construction of sliding door locks for barns, warehouses, garages, factories, houseboats, etc.

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ple. The action is positive. The principle is such that the lock must act. The jaws are extra strong and non-breakable. The locking mechanism is so simple that only one tumbler is required. There is a different key for each lock. The lock is reversible—can be used on either side of door and can be locked or latched from either side.

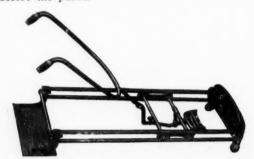
The Nobreak lock receives and grips the holding lug through an opening in the side of the lock. The door—not the lock—receives the blow when door strikes jam. This is a distinctive and important feature of this lock. The lock-grip is flush with the door and the holding lug is fastened to the jam entirely outside the door opening. There are thus no projections whatever on which to catch harness or tear clothes.

The hand-hole covers operate from both outside and inside and serve as flush pulls as well as operating the lock. The Nobreak lock cannot be tampered with—it cannot be picked, and the use of the blind screw studs on the outside makes lock practically burglar-proof.

The Haven Floor Planer

The work of properly preparing a hardwood floor after it has been laid is one of the problems of the carpenter today for it entails an enormous amount of the hardest kind of work. Therefore an ever-increasing demand has been made for a mechanical contrivance which will be simple in operation and at the same time will transform the floor into a thing of beauty.

The Haven Manufacturing Company, of Racine, Wis., are marketing now a floor planer which is intirely unlike anything before the public.



By glancing at the cut here the principle of their machine is apparent and its mechanical advantages are obvious. Its essential features may be summarized by saying that they consist of a tool-carrying lever mounted on a carriage confined to operate in a horizontal plane by a true and level trackway.

By using this method it is easily seen that there is no

heavy weight to be dragged back, merely a weight of not more than 10 pounds, which glides along the runway with practically no effort.

The use of the "Haven" permits the operator to get in close to the base boards, inasmuch as the plane at the end of the lever extends under the runway several inches. And herein lies the main difference between the "Haven" and other floor scraping devices. The tool that does the scraping is nothing more or less than a plane which absolutely prevents a "wavy" floor.

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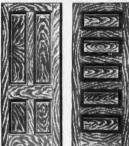
3. It does more rapid work than done in any other way. It will do the work of several men with less wear and tear. The reasons why are evident, for, besides taking the workman off his knees, the banishing of heavy weight and the applying of a stroke about twice the usual length, permit the work to proceed rapidly and without resting spells.

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In the design illustrated above we have made a complete departure from conventional methods in house designing for a building of this size. It contains 7 rooms, bathroom and reception hall room. It is of strictly classic architecture. Its handsome entrance with the Massive Columns and Colonial windows fitted with panel shutters give to this house a distinction all its own. It is arranged for seven rooms, bath, pantry, stair hall and the necessary closets. The handsome open stairway leading to the second floor and the leaded casement windows and window seats located in appropriate locations still further develop the artistic harmony of this design. It is provided with every essential convenience of a modern home. Its large number of windows insure an abundance of light and air and by reason of its compactness, it can be erected at a very moderate cost.

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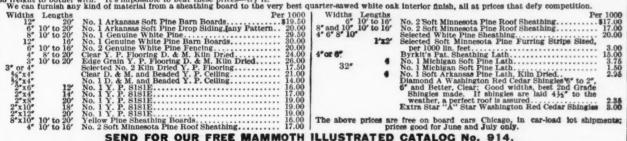
HOUSE DESIGN No. 139.

In the above we illustrate a thoroughly modern home of liberal dimensions and pleasing exterior effect. Please note the symmetrical lines of the roof with the gable and dormer and the wide porch extending nearly across the entire front of the house. The interior arrangements are not only modern, but delightfully roomy, yet there is not an inch of room wasted where not needed. The fire-place in the parlor is finance on either side with a handsome casement window. Other windows of this kind are placed at convenient locations and insure harmonious effect. The house is 29 feet wide by 33 feet 6 inches in length, pantry and all conveniences of a modern home. The dining room, especially, is the finest room in the house and with its large bay windows is universally appreciated. We recommend this design to people of good taste.

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Union Floor Scraper

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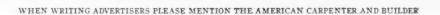
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Combination Woodworking Machine

The Parks Ball Bearing Machine Company, Knowlton and Fergus streets, Cincinnati, Ohio, call attention in another part

of this paper to their No. 460 combination machine for circular sawing, jointing, grooving and boring. They also state that they are the originators of the circular saw, band saw and jointer, combination of foot and power ma-

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The machine illustrated here is the Parks No. 410 heavy single table circular saw and 6-inch jointer, with boring or routing attachment, which makes a combination of three machines in one and all ready for instant use. Two men can work at this machine at the same time, one boring and the other using either circular saw or jointer. The guide of jointer can be used for rip saw for any width up to 12 inches wide. The guide on the left of circular saw will take any material up to 20 inches wide and has a guard for circular saw when jointing. From two to three horsepower is required for this ma-

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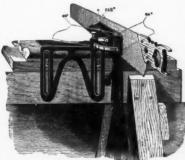
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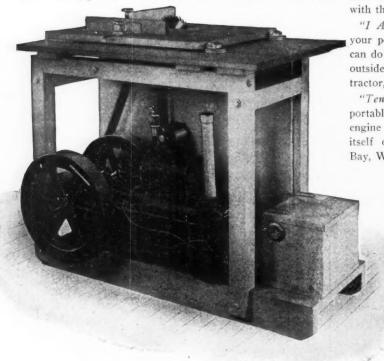
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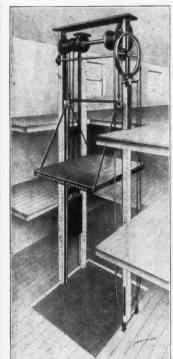
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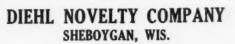
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are the departments devoted to descriptions, illustrations and prices on pneumatic water supply systems for country homes of which one of the illustrations shown here is an example.

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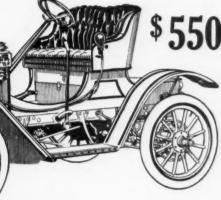
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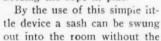
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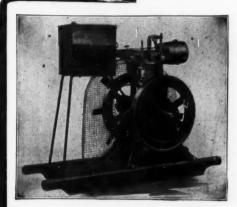
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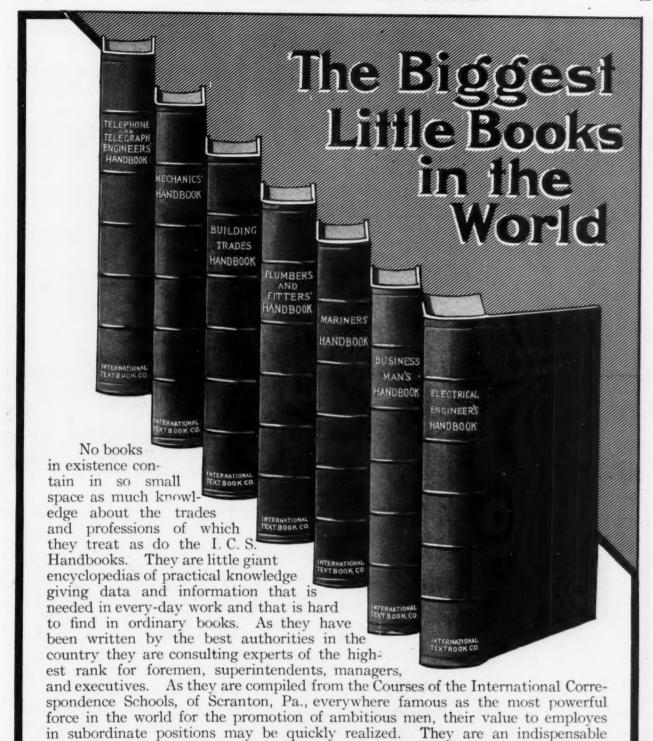
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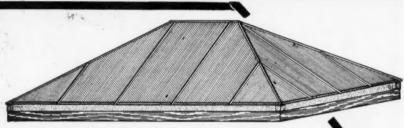
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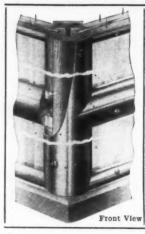
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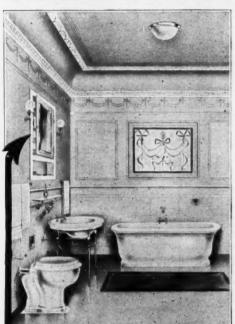
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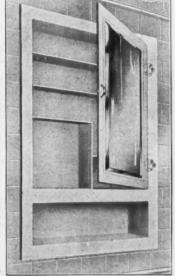
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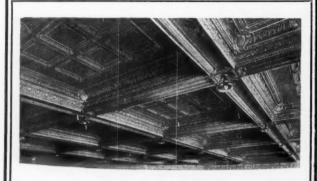
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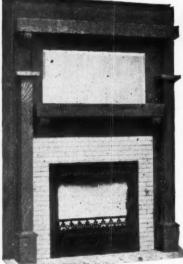
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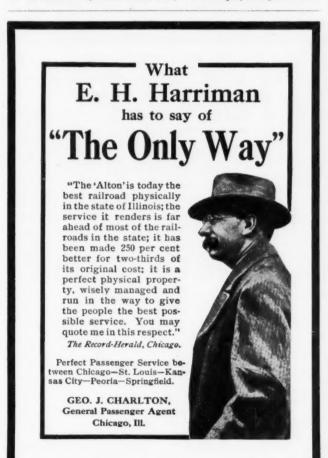
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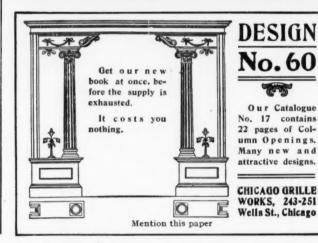
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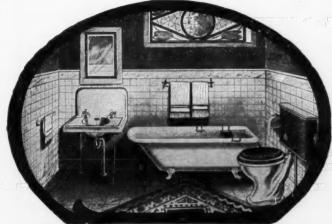
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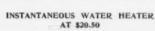
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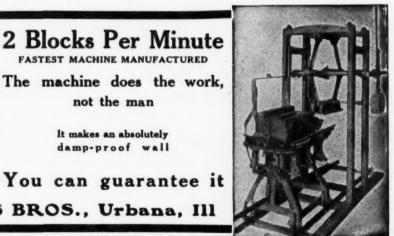
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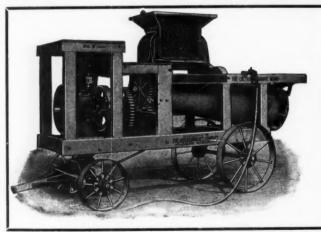
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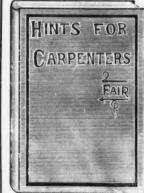
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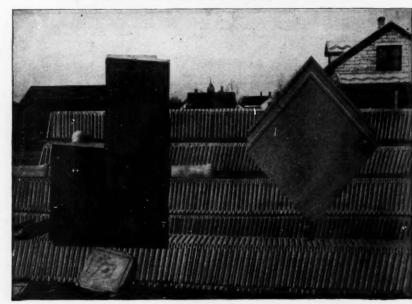
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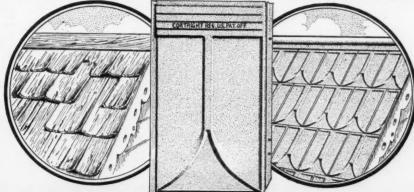
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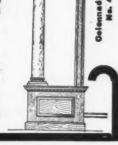
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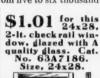
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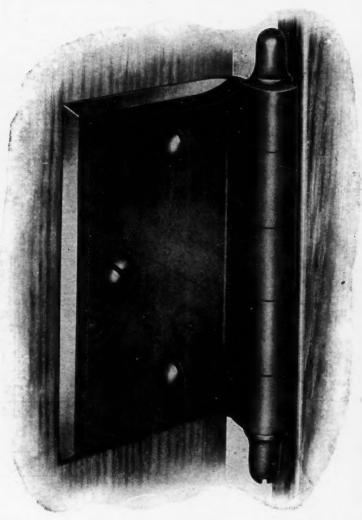
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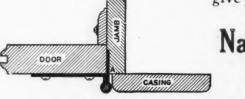


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